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Strategic Issues Questionnaire

The Task Force on Strategic Planning is charged with recommending a strategic plan and an on-going planning process to the Senate and Board. In order to develop that plan, the Task Force will need to clarify strategic choices and initiatives for UVic covering a 10 year time frame. A series of consultations with the university community is planned to begin the process of identifying strategic issues, starting with this questionnaire and followed by meetings of focus groups. We need your help in IDENTIFYING what the strategic issues are and what PRIORITY you give to them.

The following list of potential issues is preliminary. Which, if any, do you feel will be most important in the next 10 years and should, therefore, take priority in the work of the Task Force? The Task Force has found it useful to apply the following tests in identifying which issues are truly strategic: Does the issue require immediate attention? Is it institution-wide in nature and effects? Is its scope beyond being addressed through regular administration and policies? Are the consequences unacceptable if nothing is done? Feel free to add issues that you feel are important.

Note that the issues below are listed alphabetically with no priority intended.
PLEASE PRIORITIZE THE ISSUES BY CIRCLING AN APPROPRIATE RATING NUMBER FOR EACH ISSUE. The questions in parentheses are provided at this time for the purpose of illustrating what might be covered in a subsequent analysis of each issue.

	ISSUE	PRIORITY RATING (Low 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 High)
1.	**Accountability** **(What response should the University make to increasing demands from society for greater accountability?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
2.	**Competition** **(What unique advantages and strengths does Uvic have that should be emphasized in an increasingly competitive world?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
3.	**Environmental Responsibility** **(What can the University do to foster environmental responsibility?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
4.	**Funding** **(What importance should the University attach to diversifying sources of funding?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
5.	**Harmony and Equity** **(What changes must the University make to best foster a harmonious environment and an equitable campus community?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
6.	**Internationalization** **(What priority should UVic place on internationalization?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
7.	**Research** **(What changes are necessary to promote and protect research within a changing environment?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
8.	**Roles in the Broader Community** **(What roles should UVic play in the broader community?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
9.	**Size and Composition** **(Is there an optimum size and composition for UVic?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
10.	**Student Services** **(What changes in academic and non-academic student services are required to meet the needs of the student population?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
11.	**Teaching and Learning** **(What changes are necessary to adapt the teaching and learning process to a changing environment and audience?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
12.	**Technology and Equipment** **(What role should technology play in the learning and working environment at UVic, and what measures should be taken to ensure the necessary resources and equipment?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
13.	**Training and Development** **(What initiatives in training and human resource development are necessary to enable UVic faculty and staff to adapt to changing demands?)**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
14.	**Other**	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
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Please check one of the following boxes: alumnus _ student _ staff _ faculty _ other _

The Task Force looks forward to your input by NOVEMBER 6, 1994.

Please return the completed voluntary and anonymous questionnaire and any other comments to BETH WATTON, STRATEGIC PLANNING TASK FORCE, c/o OFFICE OF THE UNIVERSITY SECRETARY (using campus mail).

Alcan's Kemano project shelved

by Dena Cator

The conflict over Alcan's Kemano Completion Project was refuelled Oct. 11 when B.C. Liberal leader, Gordon Campbell, called on the NDP government to permanently shelve the hydroelectricity development project.

If completed, the Kemano Dam could divert as much as 88 percent of the water from the Nechako River, in northwestern B.C., to the Kemano powerhouse near Vanderhoof.

The venture also threatens the spawning grounds for 20 percent of the Fraser River sockeye salmon population as well as significantly reducing water levels.

Campbell said the potential negative environmental and economic impacts on the river system are too serious to ignore.

"Times have changed and public values have changed over the last 30 years. Society is now far more concerned about the impact of such development on the environment," said Campbell.

"British Columbians will not trade the fishery, tourism, recreation, and esthetic values of B.C.'s rivers for major power projects," said the Liberal leader.

Campbell made his statement two years after the Liberals began research on Alcan's $1.3 billion hydroelectric development plan.

"People say that we've flip-flopped on this issue, but that's not true," said Neil Sweeney, Liberal researcher on the project.

"People have gotten the impression that because of other Liberal ventures, we're lackies for big business. I think the project should be shut down and so does Gordon Campbell."

> "...the potential negative impacts on the river system are too serious to ignore."

Alcan responded to Campbell's announcement by saying the Liberal's decision was immature considering the results of a year long public review of the project by the B.C. Utilities Commission has not yet been published.

"We are still a participant in a public hearing process that is not yet complete," said Bill Rich, Alcan's vice president for British Columbia.

"Without prejudging the outcome of the review, we felt we had to point out to the Liberal party research staff that the information before the Commission is much more extensive and reliable than the information contained in their backgrounder," said Rich.

Alcan cannot sit by while its investments become political ping pong balls for B.C. politicians, he said in a press release.

Agreements and contracts are in place committing Alcan to huge investments, one of which is with B.C. Hydro.

Alcan is planning to sell the excess electricity generated from the Kemano Project to B.C. Hydro rather than using it for their aluminum facility.

B.C.'s Energy minister Anne Edwards was recently quoted as saying if Alcan's Kemano II project were not to go through, the province would not be short of energy.

Edwards said the province has a number of options available to it should Alcan not meet its contractual obligation to supply electricity from the Kemano Project.

"These (options) include purchases from independent power producers, purchases from adjacent utilities, and an expanded Power Smart program," Edwards said.

Campbell also cited independent power producers as a strong alternative to massive water diversion and dam projects.

"The province has more than $1 billion of private investment in independent power plants and cogeneration projects ready to proceed. All that is needed is a committment from the NDP government and B.C. Hydro," he said.

Campbell said the NDP government should open negotiations with Alcan to achieve a fair settlement with the company.

The Carrier Sekani Tribal Council, whose lands are immediately affected by the Kemano Completion Project, applauded Campbell's announcement calling for its cancellation. They have expressed similar interest in negotiating a settlement with Alcan.

"His position is very close to our own," said Tribal Chief Lynda Prince in a press release. "We are pleased that some politicians are finally listening."

The Council also rejected the NDP's B.C. Utilities Commission Review saying "the government forced it to accept the project regardless of the risks."

The problem remains of what action will be taken to compensate Alcan for the $500 million they have already invested in the Project.

Meanwhile the company will be occupied with a suit laid against them by the Ministry of Environment, Lands, and Parks on Oct. 21.

The Ministry charged Alcan Smelters with eight counts of failing to comply with the conditions of their waste management permit by discharging effluent exceeding the limits of their permit into surrounding waters.❑

On Hallowe'en members of the UVic Circle K club collected $250 worth of food for the Shelbourne Street Church Foodbank. District editor Patrick Ewing shows off the haul.

D. McNaughton photo

Black chair is fair

by Andrew Lupton

The UVSS's Board of Directors passed a motion Oct. 31 supporting Dalhousie University's policy to only consider black applicants for the chair position of its Black Canadian Studies program.

The UVSS wanted to respond to an opinion piece written by Capilano College communications professor Crawford Kilian in the Oct. 31 *Globe And Mail.*

In the article, Kilian said a blacks-only hiring policy is racist and that such a policy suggests only members of certain ethnic origins are capable of chairing a program of ethnic study.

Kilian said he is qualified and should be considered for the chair position, but the blacks-only policy discriminates against him.

"To suppose that only a black person can legitimately pursue such a study is a surrender to the grossest form of racism...A blacks-only academic position is no different in principle from a blacks-only public toilet," said Kilian in the article.

Kilian said his qualifications, and not his colour of skin should determine his eligibility for the position. He is a member of the Congress of Racial Equality and author of *Go Do Some Great Thing: The Black Pioneers of British Columbia.*

However UVSS chair, Tina Walker, said a white chair of Black Studies would be a contradiction.

"Having a white chair of a Black Studies Department would be like having a male chair the Women's Studies Department," said Walker.

Walker said because Kilian is white he could never fully understand the experience of "being black in a racist world."

Walker also said that Kilian is not being discriminated against because, "by being a white person in a racist society white people have privileges that black people don't."

The UVSS will send a letter to Dalhousie University's President, Dean, Student Association and to the *Dalhousie Gazette* in support of the hiring policy.❑

UVSS holds annual general meeting

by Calinda Brown

Well, you obviously don't care what happens to your $59.95 in student fees.

That's why students showed up to the UVSS Annual General Meeting in underwhelming numbers to hear what the UVSS plans to do with its $1,216,300.

For the approximately 50 students who did show, the University of Victoria Students' Society deficit was their primary concern.

Miranda Duffy, fourth-year English and Women Studies major, just wanted a simple question answered.

"[After last year,] are we in a better or a worse financial position. Are we in more debt or less?" she asked.

Michael Gardiner, director of finance for the UVSS, said: "Yes, the deficit has increased. Yes there is a larger debt," but he said the general trend is improving because the deficit increase is smaller than in the past.

The deficit increased by $13,845 in 93/94. The accumulated deficit is now $249,337.

In the 94/95 budget the UVSS presented at the AGM, there is a planned surplus of $19,000. Gardiner said $8,000 would be set against the principal of the accumulated deficit.

That was all the business the UVSS could conduct without quorum of 79. So the 22 special resolutions - including one opposing the Commonwealth games - were passed to the next general meeting.

Science and engineering co-op students promised to fill the room if the UVSS had another general meeting in November, when midterms are over but the stress of finals has yet to begin.❑

Fresh air at GSS

by Lisa Guglielmi

One hundred and twenty people voted in the Graduate Student Society (GSS) elections Oct. 27 and 28 and the new directors started their term November 1.

Pat Burke, director of finance won 51 votes and said, "I'm here to learn. My job is to help out the grads to use the money they have the best possible way."

Kathryn Sutherland, the new director of student affairs, who won 65 votes said, "School is not just about studying and computers, students need to meet people and get involved."

Last year only 72 grads voted and this year's 120 voters is not too bad but "[Grads] should be blasted for not getting involved," said Angela Heck, the new director of communications.

The three winners feel the sweep of the elections by women is great and commented you could now say they are campaigning as a team for women.❑

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Streetlink strike: is this life or death for our homeless?

by Dane Gibson

"Are we going to wait until someone dies?"

This was a question asked by many of the concerned people attending a meeting at City Hall Nov. 1, to organize a temporary shelter in Victoria.

Streetlink workers have been on strike for four months which means a loss of 54 emergency beds serving Victoria's homeless and transient population.

The Open Door, another shelter downtown, has been trying to house the run- off from the closure but with occupancy doubling it is an impossible situation.

Reverend Allen Tysick, director of the Open Door program, proposed a Citizens Coalition to open 48 emergency beds until the Streetlink strike is over.

"This coalition will not accept a permanent closing of Streetlink," said Tysick. "Our main concern is to get people off the streets."

He suggested the Holiday Court Motel at 740 Hillside as the sight for the temporary service.

A member of the Vancouver Housing Registry pointed out many of those who cannot find shelter in Victoria are heading to Vancouver.

"Social services is giving Victoria street people bus tickets to Vancouver and we are concerned," he said.

Much of the anger and frustration in the room was directed at the Victoria Cool Aid Society, the board responsible for Streetlink.

Robert DeYoung, or 'Rockie' as he is known on the streets, spent eight years of his life homeless.

"I counted 30 people sleeping in parks, dumpsters, and under the Johnson street bridge last night." he said. "In most cases they are alcoholics, drug addicts, and the mentally ill. [As] a recovering street person, I know that programs like Streetlink can be the difference between life and death."

DeYoung now dedicates much of his time to the homeless in Victoria. The Citizens Coalition plans to put pressure on the government to end the strike. They stressed that once the strike is resolved, Streetlink must again provide full services.

The meeting ended with the Coalition being formed and the appointment of six core members who will prepare the Holiday Court motel for patrons by Nov. 7.❑

Workers huddle under the entrance of Streetlink, where they have been on Strike since July 21.

Dave Clements photo

A streetlink client gives an encouraging handshake to striking workers.

Dave Clements photo

Residence inconvenience

by Joel Casselman

Reaction to the start of SUB expansion by residence students has been positive so far, although concern exists over the impact construction will have on these students.

"I think the students in Margaret Newton and Joseph Cunliffe are going to be inconvenienced," said Kelly Sundberg, the senior resident advisor for the McGill residences, who sympathizes with students who have to deal with the noise, traffic and inconvenience of the long walk around the construction site.

He feels, however, SUB expansion will be benefit all in the long run.

Although residence students were not formally told of the construction, Sundberg said he felt it was common knowledge SUB construction would take place during the school year.

"I am concerned with the effect that the construction and the future nightclub will have with respect to noise given the proximity to Margaret Newton Hall," said Steve Fitterer, co-ordinator of student affairs for the residences.

"We really try and are willing to listen to any concerns that the students have and do what we can to maintain a fair study environment," he said.

Sundberg also said he assumes construction will continue during the exam period, when quiet hours are in effect twenty-two hours a day.

Fitterer said he hadn't been contacted yet by students concerned the extended quiet hours will be disrupted.

He said if students have any concerns over this issue, they should address them collectively to their junior or senior resident advisors.

Gerry Robson, UVic's director of campus planning, said if students raise concerns work would be done in a manner to benefit both sides.❑

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Agenda

1. Chair's Report
2. Auditor's Report
3. 1994-95 Budget
4. Other Business

Chair's Report

1993/94 was the year the *Martlet* moulted. The Board of Directors met for the first time since incorporating in 1991.

The Society dealt with:
- financial responsibility
- dividing assets between us & UVSS
- employment issues
- changes to Ombuddy Committee
- hiring a new Ad Director
- break-down of computers
- aging darkroom equipment
- new constitutional role for volunteers
- changing role of Cdn Univ Press
- new libel consultant & solicitor
- effective Board of Directors

Financial Statements[1] / Budget

(Unapproved : June 1, 1993 to May 31, 1994) (Jun 1, 94 to Apr 30, 95)
Kerry J. Blain, B.Sc.,C.A., Auditor Approved by BoD

	1993	1994	1995
Sales	109,225	117,783	115,250
Membership Fees[2]	nil	nil	62,000
Cost of Sales[3]	38,052	32,976	(30,041)
	71,173	84,807	147,209
Expenditures			
Salaries, Wages, Benefits	55,083	60,524	52,335
Equipment Purchases	22,975	nil	nil
Commissions & Selling Expen	20,626	16,759	16,876
Travel, Conf. , CUP Fee[4]	15,122	16,873	19,454
Bad Debts[5]	7,578	22,033	8,960
Office and Supplies[6]	3,834	20,633	35,595
	125,218	136,822	133,220
Loss Before Subsidy	54,045	52,015	
Subsidy	33,809	34,995	
Net Loss[7]	20,236	17,020	(13,989)
Loan from UVSS Capital Replacement Fund	20,236	nil	nil
Loan from UVSS Operations[8]	nil	5,581	(4,000)
Owing to UVSS[9]	nil	22,601	18,601

Notes for Budget and Financial Statements by rkwong
1 Document found in *UVSS Financial Statements May 31, 1994.*
2 This section was not in the audited statement. Membership fees started Jan '94.
3 Cost of Sales subtracts this column.
4 Increase due to a item for a November, 1994 Canadian Union of Writers conference.
5 New collection methods for 1994/95. Previous years have been inconsistant.
6 New expenses previously paid by the UVic Students' Society.
7 Expected profit for this year (1994/95)
8 We expect to repay loans from UVic Students' Society for this year (1994/95)
9 Total amount owed to UVic Students' Society.

prepared by Raymond Kwong, Secretary
approved by Ade Mercer, Chairperson
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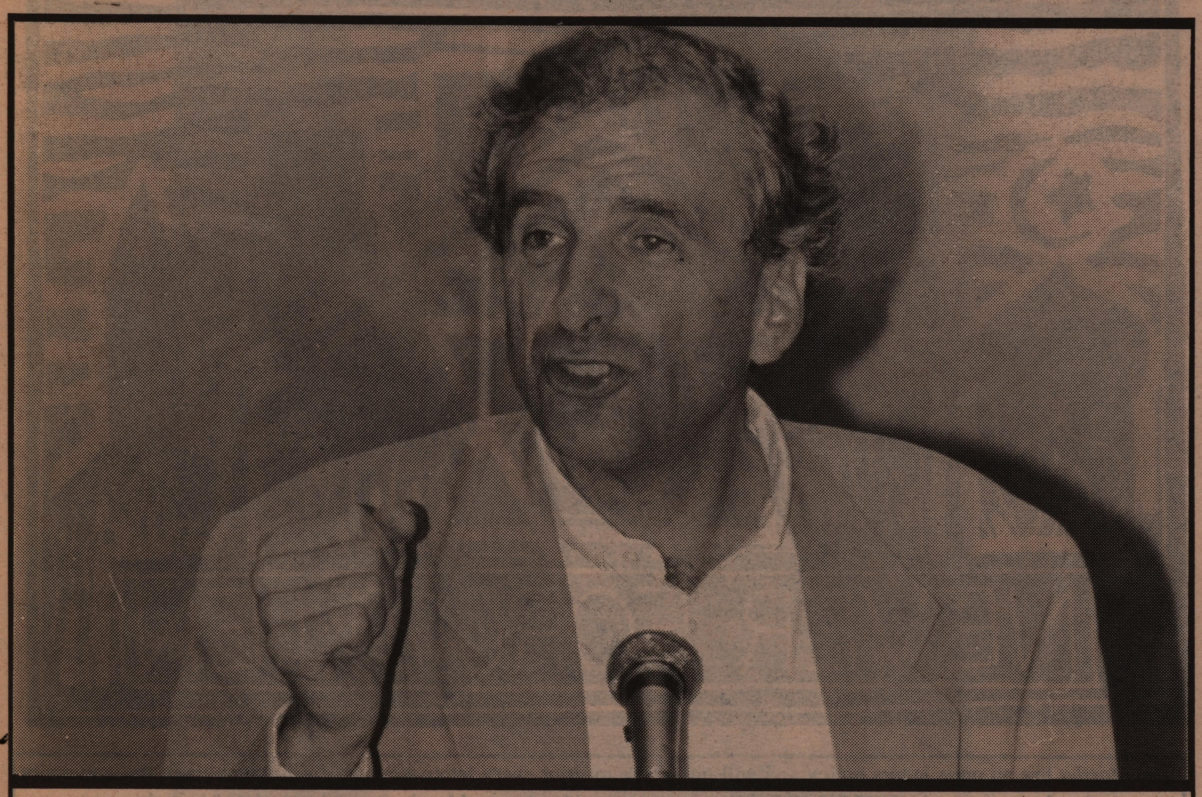
Reducing Canada's deficit



The right hand man: York prof James Laxer encourages UVic students to fight to save social programs.

Cindy Metheral photo

by Jon MacPherson

The game is called the Corporate Agenda. The object is reducing Canada's deficit, at any cost. Paul Martin and Lloyd Axworthy are playing it right now as they cut federal funding of social programs to shave another $9.4 billion from the federal deficit.

York University political scientist, James Laxer, who spoke at UVic Oct. 20 said this game has become "a tradition in Canadian government, one that tries to make the governments in Canada fiscally healthy, but does not make Canadian society fiscally healthy."

It is "madness" according to Laxer, for Canada to pass debt-reducing legislation at the cost of social programs, because "we simply will never be able pay off the $500 billion we owe." This theme is reflected in Laxer's new book, *False God,* his criticism of Canadian capitalism.

Instead Laxer sees "un- and under-employment" as the most pressing problems facing Canada. Twenty to twenty-five per cent of Canadians fall into one of these two categories which amounts to a costly loss in taxation revenue and wealth for Canada.

> "It is madness ... for Canada to pass debt reducing legislation at the cost of social programs."

Laxer proposed alternate ways to improve the Canadian economy. First, create a progressive tax regime in Canada that will take the burden off the middle and working classes, and fairly tax the very rich and corporations.

Second, Laxer stressed the importance of investing capital generated in Canada back into the country and cited the reinvestment of private and public Canadian pension funds into Canadian industries as an example.

Finally, Laxer said we need to rid ourselves of the notion that all of our economy must be world-class. "We have been trained to think that whatever is being done better elsewhere should be shut down. But this is wrong. It abandons our small communities and our only hope at achieving full employment."

He used France's refusal to sacrifice its local agriculture and its success in both stimulating local industries and achieving increased employment, as an example Canada could follow.

Laxer also had some interesting insight into the growing concern over tuition hikes university students are facing.

> "... we need to rid ourselves of the notion that all of our economy must be world class."

"The government is poised on saddling university students with debts of twenty thousand dollars. According to Jean Chretien, the only people opposed to these measures are 'special interest groups.' University students are not going to be called special interest groups," he said and called for a nation-wide response by students.

Beth Hill, a local writer and co-organizer of the lecture agreed with Laxer's call for a response, but one with political organization. "There is a need for a new political party to represent the new left in these aims, a party that must come together, uniting similar social movements into one heterogeneous movement."

She hopes to establish links between Victoria activist groups and UVic students to fight the corporate agenda one step at a time.

Two Esquimalt High School students, Ezra Maidstone and Ilan Baron, attended Laxer's speech for information on organizing an intra-school walk out. During that walk out they hope "to educate people about the workings of the world economy."

Laxer's speech was organized by The World Federalists, The Council of Canadians, Women's Voice and UVic's Sociology Department.❑

Group builds bridges

by Calinda Brown

The alienating experience of studying at a huge institution like UVic is bad for anyone. But for the Native students who come here, the added burden of racism is another block to graduating.

The Native Students' Union (NSU) is an autonomous student group that supports and advocates on behalf of Native students at UVic. Newly-elected NSU president, Diane Bell, said fighting racist attitudes is their biggest challenge.

"There is a lot of racism on campus," she said. "We all share horror stories about people in class and their ideas about Native people."

Perhaps the worst aspect of the racism at UVic is the indifference towards the Native voice and experience in curriculums.

"You see it in history courses that assume we're no longer here - we're gone, we're dead," Bell said. "There is a lot of work to be done about Native awareness at UVic."

Bell wondered why the University of Victoria, on an island with rich Native cultures, has no Native studies program. She said it really hurts the visibility of Native students on campus which can encourage prejudice.

But she said certain pockets on campus are really receptive to Native students and their concerns. She cited the School of Social Work and its willingness to have Native students' input into programs.

The NSU is under the aegis of the vice-president academic and provost, Sam Scully. Recent meetings between Scully and the NSU encouraged Bell.

"We are working on a positive relationship with UVic [administration]. We want to build bridges," she said.

Bell hopes Scully can help encourage anti-racism education for students and faculty. And she also hopes he can provide another urgent service.

"We need a counselor trained to meet the needs of Native students," she said. "It's much harder for us to survive than the average [student] because there are many more roadblocks...Things will come up in our lives and it will affect us profoundly," she said.

Bell said Native students work hard to fit into the mold of a student at UVic, but "there is no effort to make the mold fit to us."

She hopes a motion passed unanimously by Senate last year to establish a Native Advisory Board for the University will be effective.

"We want to gain more control and autonomy in our lives," she said, especially as students.

The NSU is completely a volunteer organization. It doesn't have many resources and depends on the wide mix of Native students at UVic to help support each other. It welcomes associate members of the UVic community.

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EDITORIAL

Never Again!

When considering our history, few can argue that Hitler was a good man. We still, after a half century, are hard pressed to explain how one man's hatred led to the slaughter of so many. In fact, we are horrified that such an occurrence ever took place and in response we vow: "Never Again!" Yet, even as we proclaim this, we fail to see the same patterns of hate existing within ourselves.

Hate is a gradual process. It begins with a restricted set of ideals that is resistant to change whenever we encounter anything that is different. These differences can be presented in the form of gender, race or lifestyle, and our attitude towards them is crucial.

If we oppose what is different and acquire an air of superiority, this attitude allows ourselves to disassociate immediately. The step of disassociation is a dangerous one. It prevents us from learning anything new. Moreover, disassociation also brings us to the point of apathy, where we are convinced that what happens to another has no affect on us. In the beginning stages, the Nazi regime prohibited Jews from participating in certain activities or rights. However, this exclusion was not seen by those in power as having any negative barring on the society as a whole.

The process of disassociation is quickly followed by categorization. Categorization is discrimination in its purest form. It is an intentional segregation of a group different from another. It's the mentality of "All-non whites live over there and all whites will live here." In the same way, categorization was evident when Jews were forced out of their homes and made to live else where.

Hand in hand with categorization comes labeling. Labeling is a necessary successor because it is needed in order to maintain the separation of different groups. Hitler demonstrated labeling when he required that all Jews wear the star of David. Labeling is the final and the most destructive step in the process of hate. When we label people we strip them of their individuality and their dignity even within their group. Furthermore, we de-value people's worth by confining them to the little importance (if any) we place upon them. Once we de-value people, we are more likely to view them as sub human. This is exactly the perception the Nazis developed towards the Jews that allowed thousands of them to be killed without conscience

It is a shocking example of what the progression of hate can do. Moreover, it's hard to imagine that it could ever happen again, but sometimes I wonder.

It is not uncommon to go into a washroom on campus and find evidence of labeling on the bathroom stalls. Granted, one may not approve of a certain lifestyle, but is the slander any different from those who lashed out at the Jews?

Also, we must be aware of our tendency to categorize others. For example, a friendly female is usually considered flirtatious while a male in the same situation is seen as charming.

This scenario may seem innocent and insignificant, however, this kind of stereotyping if tolerated and overlooked, can easily evolve into more dangerous levels of discrimination.

Therefore, we must seriously examine our present attitudes towards differences, in order to make a conscious effort to divert our behavior from a pattern of hate. Otherwise, can we truly say: "Never Again."?

Editorial topics are decided on by staff at editorial meetings, which happen every Monday at 4p.m. in SUB room 137a. Editorials are written by one or more staffers; opinions are not necessarily those of all Martlet *staff.*

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Forum is Inconvenient

Editors:

On November 12, 1994 David Anderson MP for Victoria is holding a Constituency forum on the Social Policy Review discussion paper. The forum will take place at UVic. Changes proposed in the Social Security Review will dramatically affect education and student loans across Canada. However, it is unlikely students will be able to fully participate due to the timing of the forum. It is being held on the Saturday of reading break when most students are not on campus. So far David Anderson's office has shown no interest in changing the date to when more students are able to participate.

Proposals to be discussed include the Income Contingent Loan Repayment Plan that will see tuition fees at least double. Students should have the right to learn how these proposals will affect them and have their voices heard by Mr. Anderson. If you agree please call or write his constituency office and let them know that holding this forum during reading break is unfair to students.

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For more information come to the SUB resource centre (room 135) and find out how you can get involved.

Beth Hardy
Student Representative, Board of Governors

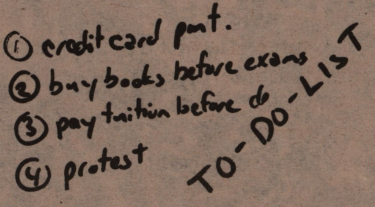
Stand up for yourself!

Editors:

There's been a lot of media hoopla over the Federal Government's Social Policy Review — and with good reason. It proposes sweeping changes to the fabric of Canadian society, including post-secondary education.

The government seeks to cut off all federal transfers to universities — worth $2.6 billion in 1995 — and require students to pay the full cost of tuition. For those who worried about past increases, the new proposal should really shock: annual UVic tuition fees could hit $13,000 by 1997.

And that's not all. The Liberals want to get rid of the current student loan system and replace it with one that charges interest from the day you sign on the dotted line.



The government says it wants to consult Canadians before going ahead with its plans. But their methods are instructive. David Anderson, the Minister of National Revenue and MP for Victoria, will hold his chat with students on Saturday, November 12th — during Reading Break. A move guaranteed to get widespread input, wouldn't you agree?

And if this wasn't bad enough, the deadline for applying to appear before the information-gathering Parliamentary Committee has already passed. If you didn't hear about it, you're not alone. Anderson's office learned of the early deadline from students, not the other way around. Word has it that a number of BC Government Ministers nearly missed out as well.

This is open public consultation like the Charlottetown Accord was a popular deal.

It's not too late to get involved, though. Get informed. You can get information from the UVSS and others. Talk to your friends, professors, family and pets. Phone Anderson's office at 363-3600, or write him and others in Ottawa free of charge. Call President Strong at 721-7002 and tell him how the proposals will affect students. Attend the Parliamentary Committee meeting Tues. Nov. 15 at the Empress Convention Centre. And watch for coming events.

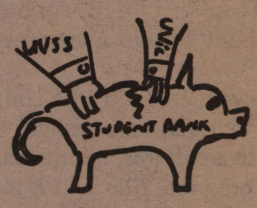
Joel Freedman

Task force questionnaire

Editors:

Over the past five years our university has grown by close to 5000 students. To meet these expansions, the university has set up a task force to decide what are the most important things for UVIC to focus on. In this week's Martlet, there is a questionnaire which will be used by this task force to determine UVIC's priorities. Now I have to warn you that it is a little out to lunch in the way that it is formatted, but it is important for the future of UVIC. So I would ask all Martlet readers (who, I hear, number in the thousands) to please take 5 minutes and fill it out. The completed form can be dropped off in my mail box next door to the SUB General Office. Any questions about it can be directed to me, or to the committee's undergrad rep, Tina Walker who is also the Chairperson of the UVSS.

Jay Bertagnolli
Director at Large



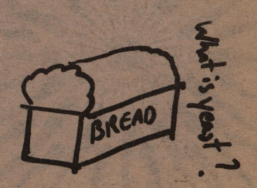
Delicious Recipe!!

Editors:

I would like to thank Remy Quinter for his mighty bread recipe in the student lifestyles section of the Martlet #9, 6 October 1994.

Rarely does the art of Julia Childs and journalism meet. Remy has done a service to the students of UVic in his adapted recipe of a religious experience in yeastless bread. There is no art in Kraft.

Zach LaPerriere



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Quote of the week:
"This university is really backwards in dealing with Native students."
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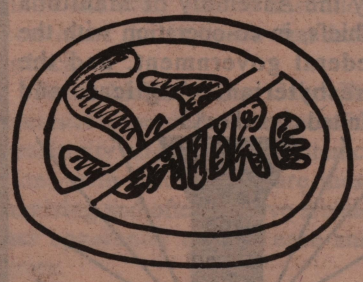
Thanks a lot, Jerks!

Editors:

Moving to Victoria, I thought that I would try to be environmentally friendly, and ride my bike to University. I bought a used Rocky Mountain Fusion before leaving my home in Alberta. I made sure I had a Kryptonite lock so that it wouldn't get stolen, and carry my helmet and seat with me to classes. I faithfully filled out the bicyclist survey, hopin for better facilities to lock up my bike. My bike definitely is not the top of it's class, but it is sure fun to ride on and off road. I would like to say THANK YOU to the JERK(S) who stole my handle bars Monday October 31, between 1 and 4 in the afternoon. You did the maximum theft possible, short of stealing the whole bike. I really enjoyed carrying it home. I'd like to say THANK YOU to all the FREAKS who witnessed the JERK(S) steal my handle bars. Last but not least, I'd like to acknowledge the Security Department who diligently filled out a worthless report that is used for statistical purposes. The Security Department could not even offer a little sympathy, but said I should expect stuff like that to happen if I ride a nice bike to school. WHATEVER!!!! This letter is for me, and all the other bikers who got had on Halloween.

Erin Primas



Student voice is racist

Editors:

I write to the Martlet, concerning an article which occured in last weeks issue, under the heading "Student Voice."

I assume this was meant to be a satire, but the whole piece was out of context. Yes, as native people, we are working on land claims issues. This is our right, not a privileledge. This is the continuation of agreements made between your anscestors and our great chiefs, now gone.

In our daily lives, we constantly face racism and invisibility. This does produce anger and frustration. We would never even blow up a bus of elderly women.

There is enough fear of native issues and people without the Martlet adding fuel to the fire. The Martlet could better serve the public by publishing informed and educational articles about the various groups targetted within the article. Thank you.

Diane Bell
President, Native Student Union

Grade school improves

Editors:

The B.C. Ministry of Education recent;y released the guidelines for the Kindergarten to Grade 12 Plan. As a graduating education major, I'm pleased to see the changes that will be implemented in the 1995/96 school year. Specifically, I like the development of the Student Learning Plan (SLP). Beginning in grade 9, students will plan each school year to meet their future education and career goals. It is comforting to know students will acquire the important planning and decision making skills needed to make a smooth transition from school life, to life in society. Historically, I do not believe schools have adequately achieved this. I recall feeling confused about career plans and ill-equiped to handle the important decisions with which I was faced with. Society is constantly changing; therefore, students need to be given tools that will enable them to adapt. For parents, the SLP will provide their children with an enhanced ability to be independent. Working parents who are unable to spend more time preparing their children for future endeavorss will be happy to know the Ministry of Education is willing to help. In my opinion, implementing the SLP will be a great start.

Stephen McHugh

STUDENT VOICE

STUDENT SENATE CAUCUS UPDATE

Did you know that UVIC is in the process of a conversion to a percentage based system from the current letter grade and GPA format? Did you also know that professors must inform students, in writing, of the techniques to be used in the assessment of their performances? Or that George Pringle is once again a student rep?

Senate. What is it? Where is it? and Why does it even exist? These are all very important questions that must be answered. And therefore, what you have all been waiting for, a low down on our academic governing body, the Senate and what your student reps are up to.

Admissions and re-registration policies. Academic standards. Appeals. Library management.These are just some of the important functions that the University Senate oversees that directly impact academic life for many if not all students on campus.

Last May, the nine new student senators were welcomed at the academic governing body's general meeting (that makes 11 student senators total). At that meeting, and as a student senate caucus, we strongly opposed that UVIC was converting to a percentage based grading system by September 1995. Student senators pointed out that the University was implementing a grading system that few other universities currently use. As well, that the coSts of changing the calender and administration procedures are very difficult to justify at a time of fiscal restraint, when those funds could help to curb the rising coSts of tuition for students. Moreover, such a change in direction seems to neglect the inextricable subjectivity involved in marking (i.e. is a particular work of art a 73% as opposed to a 76% ?) This will only invite more student appeals, create more superfluous work for faculty, all without even clearly breaking from the past.

Unfortunately, as a student senate caucus although we could oppose this initiative, it had already been passed in principle last year. Another motion at that meeting that the student caucus saw as having a dramatic impact on students was the revision to the graduating average. Despite student senate opposition the chamber passed a motion whereby " the graduating average of a student in a bachelor's degree program be determined as the average grade values of ALL senior level courses taken at the University."

Our 2nd meeting, Oct. 5th. An important victory was the defeat of a motion recommending that there be no fee reductions for undergraduates who drop courses after the first 10 days of classes each term, unless they also add courses in which they are waitlisted, during the 3 day additional period. Although the purpose of the motion was to prevent students from blocking other students from taking courses, many senate members saw the motion as "punitive", leading to a possible double billing, as well as treating the context of those students decisions for dropping courses as simply whimsicle.

Here are many reasons why it is important to make the issues that senate decides on, visible to the students at large. If you are interested in a more detailed summary of the chambers activities the Ring regularly reports on Senate business. The Senate's next meeting was yesterday, so you missed it, along with the cokies and coffee. If you have any concerns that you find Senate or your student senators can help you with call the Director of Academics: Stacey Tabert at 721-8369.

More later,
Jean-Luc Forest, Student senator

The Student Voice is an opinion piece written by UVic students. Following Martlet policy sexist, racist, and homophobic copy will not be printed. Anonymous submissions are not permitted unless the person's health is considered to be in jeopardy. Length is dictated simply by the space permitted in the column.

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Customs gives nod to anal sex

by David Alan Barry,
The Varsity, U of T

TORONTO (CUP) — A recent change to Canada Customs' guidelines removing anal penetration as grounds for obscenity is little cause for celebration, say gay and lesbian bookstores. The changes to the guidelines took place Sept. 29, several days before a challenge to Canada Customs' right to seize materials on the basis of obscenity got underway in the British Columbia Supreme Court.

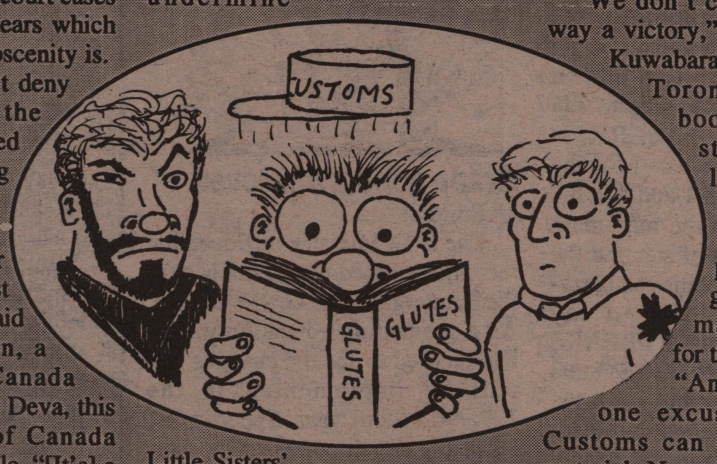
The case against Canada Customs, brought by Vancouver's Little Sisters Art and Book Emporium and the B.C. Civil Liberties Association, also says Customs unfairly discriminates against gay and lesbian material and bookstores. Jim Deva, co-owner of Little Sisters, says the removal of anal penetration from the guidelines was timed to give Canada Customs a better case in court.

"It's quite clear that their lawyers pointed out that it was clearly homophobic and [to] get it out of the way," Deva said. Canada Customs says the changes came about because of court cases over the past several years which have redefined what obscenity is. Customs officials don't deny that the timing of the changes was motivated by the approaching court case.

"We wanted to make sure that our counsel was in the best possible [position]," said Colette Gentes-Hawn, a spokesperson for Canada Customs. According to Deva, this action on the part of Canada Customs is reprehensible. "[It's] a clear indication of how devious Canada Customs is.

"We've been fighting [these guidelines] for years but the fact that [they change] two days before the court case shows they'll do anything to maintain their power over censorship," Deva said.

Still, he does not think the move by Canada Customs will undermine



Little Sisters' case. "We knew that anal penetration was the first to be removed, so our case didn't hinge on anal penetration.

"Our case is much more encompassing than just arguing the validity of anal penetration." Despite the changes, Canada Customs will continue to discriminate against gay and lesbian material, said Deva.

"We don't consider it in any way a victory," he said. Toshiya Kuwabara, an employee of Toronto's Glad Day bookstore, which stocks gay and lesbian material, says Customs will use other parts of the guidelines to stop material destined for the store.

"Anal penetration is one excuse that Canada Customs can use for seizing material. Now that this excuse is gone, they will use another," Kuwabara said.

The arbitrary nature by which Customs officials can apply the guidelines compounds the problem, he said. "Everything at the border is entirely at the discretion of Canada Customs." Gentes-Hawn says, however, that Canada Customs, while not being arbitrary, does have to exercise judgment at the border. "All law enforcement has some sort of judgment attached," she said.

She added that Customs officials do not, nor will they, discriminate against gay and lesbian material. "The department makes every attempt to be fair and consistent and to look at all material in the same way," Gentes-Hawn said.

She said the homosexual community only sees one side of the story and is not paying attention to the fact that heterosexual material is seized as well."They don't see the material that leans towards the heterosexual community that is stopped,"

Church confesses sins

by Samer Muscati,
The Fulcrum, University of Ottawa

OTTAWA (CUP) — In a precedent-setting move, the Presbyterian Church of Canada confessed its 'sins' against First Nations people.

Reverend George Vais delivered the confession Oct. 8 at the Forks National Site in Winnipeg, where, more than a century ago, Natives and European settlers and missionaries met.

The church is now acknowledging the painful history of its relationship with the First Nations, primarily in Northern Ontario,Manitoba, and Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

The confession was adopted by the Presbyterian Church of Canada's 120th General Assembly last June.

"We confess that, with the encouragement and assistance of the Government of Canada, the Presbyterian Church in Canada agreed to take the children of aboriginal peoples from their own homes and place them in Residential Schools," Vais said.

"In these schools, children were deprived of their traditional ways, which were replaced with Euro-Canadian customs." He continued: "There was opportunity for sexual abuse, and so some were abused. The effect of all this, for aboriginal peoples, was the loss of cultural identity and the loss of a secure sense of self. For the Church's insensitivity, we ask forgiveness."

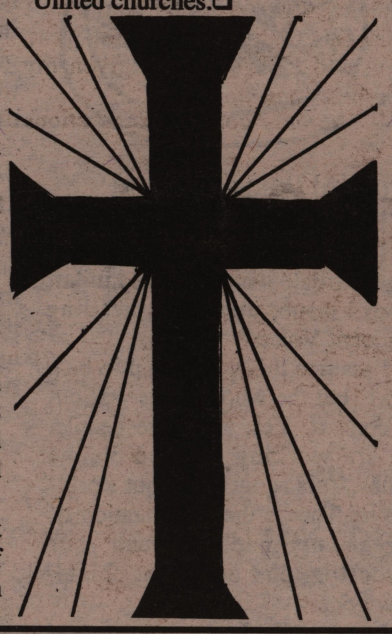
> "The confession apologizes for past wrongs but does not absolve the church of responsibility for them."

Assembly of Manitoba Grand Chief Phil Fontaine accepted the apology on behalf of First Nations people, but said that the church's refusal for many years to acknowledge the wrong-doings had deepened Natives' wounds.

"The confession is a start down the road to healing. The confession apologizes for past wrongs but it does not absolve the church of responsibility for them," Fontaine said. Michael Farris, member of the Church's Residential School Committee agrees and hopes that the healing process can now begin. "The event was very significant, as the entire church recognized the grave error of its sins. It's the first step in reconciliation," Farris said.

Part of the ceremony, presided over by traditional native elders, included a "smudging" ritual symbolizing purification. A pipe was also passed around a healing circle symbolizing reconciliation. The Residential School experience has left First Nations people with a legacy of shattered lives, loss of cultural identity and broken families.

Two residential treatment facilities to help former pupils of Residential Schools cope with their problems are being set up by the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs, in co-operation with the federal government, and the Presbyterian, Anglican and United churches.❑



National News Blurbs

-If you miss classes at the University of Toronto there's a service which will attend the class and take notes for you for a price.

-Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) and the Canadian Alliance of Students (CAS) are involved in a mass protest against the federal government's discussion paper on social reforms in January.

-The Ubyssey is still in dire need of an Editor in chief.

-Tenures in Alberta universities could be abolished.

-Jewish student groups at the University of York have requested a refund from the Ontario Public interest group distributed by an ant-semitic literature on campus during orientation week.

Paper shredded at rally

by Alexis Roman, *The Carillon*,
University of Regina

REGINA (CUP) — Students at the University of Saskatchewan vented their anger over proposed changes to university funding by shredding copies of the federal government's discussion paper.

The act was part of a rally held by the University of Saskatchewan Student Union to protest the federal government's recent discussion paper on social reforms, which threatens to cut federal cash transfers to the provinces.

Tuition fees stand to rise significantly. "We had about 400 students out for the protest," said Jeff Leslie, a vice-president with the student council. Leslie added that students marched to city hall for presentations and discussions, chanting, "Burn it; burn the paper!"

> "Our organization doesn't condone that kind of behavior."

Student council president Shauna Curry tried lighting the paper, but ended up shredding it when it wouldn't burn. "It was an emotional thing that got out of control," Leslie said. "Our organization doesn't condone that kind of behaviour." According to Leslie, the protest took about a week to plan.

The council worked with a civic organization to set up the rally in front of city hall. Leslie said the council handed out leaflets, made banners and put up posters all over campus. Professors also helped out by reading bulletins at the start of each class.

The rally was part of a campaign to launch a national protest to coincide with either the University of Ottawa's strike slated for Nov. 16, or the Canadian Federation of Students' plan for a January demonstration. "Our student association is willing to do whatever it can to get our voice heard," Leslie said.❑

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P.E.I. doesn't have grizzlies

Prince Edward Island a favourite in cross Canada cycling trip

by Mark Ellens

OK, I admit it. We didn't go to Anne of Green Gables' place. It was one of those really tough last minute decisions—go hang out on a crimson beach or check out some T.V. based tourist trap catering to Europeans and Japanese. Go figure. We had this goal of not being Anne-esthetized!

Every stereotypical image of Prince Edward Island is true. It's beautiful and the people are fantastically friendly. The air is crisp and clean. The landscape is a gently rolling terrain of fields and trees, perfect for the bicycle tour we were on. Everything is neat, clean, and not extravagant. The best part is the ban on roadside billboards so you actually see the province.

As veterans of the Vancouver Island lifestyle, P.E.I. was quite familiar to us. Take one sausage-shaped island with both ports of entry about 100 km apart on the same side of the island. Sound familiar?

Their ferries are a lot smaller but more modern than B.C. ferries and they run frequently during the summer. In the opposite fashion to our Gulf Islands, in P.E.I. you only pay when you leave.

We entered P.E.I. from the Nova Scotia side. The first thing we noticed as critical tourists was the paved shoulder. The next was the free provincial campground. It was free because the park didn't open until the following day - June 25. Unlike western Canada, the Maritimes don't really think about camping until middle to late June.

The best thing about P.E.I. is its drivers. Imagine you are on your bike leaving UVic and you are waiting to make a left turn onto Mckenzie near the stadium. Suddenly all of the cars in both lanes on Mckenzie STOP and the drivers wave for you to go!! Impossible? Well, welcome to cycling in P.E.I.

Maritime drivers in general were great toward cyclists and P.E.I. was the best. This would sharply contrast our experience in Quebec where cyclists are considered to be objects to go over rather than around.

I've done a bit of traveling and I realize that rule #1 is to throw away whatever guide book you've bought. I've also spent about 9000 km bicycle touring in Canada and New Zealand and I realize that a cold rainy day with a headwind can turn the most beautiful location into a place that sucks. So you may notice that I haven't told you where we went, instead I have simply given my impressions.

The only concrete suggestions I have for P.E.I. are the following: 1) take your time (at least 2 weeks if you are cycling) 2) throw away your watch and map 3) just hang out and enjoy the people and scenery 4) go before they put in the connector bridge 5) go during late August or early September.

One last note: our travels through the Maritimes revealed 3 perfect two-week bicycle tours. First is 600km loop around the top of the Gaspe peninsula. Second is just wandering around P.E.I. Third is the Cabot Trail and other trails on Cape Breton Island.

Happy traveling in Canada - you'll be pleasantly surprised.❑

Picturesque parks like this one (adjacent to the Nova Scotia ferry) dot the island
David Garrison photo

Cycling Across Canada - In a Nutshell

In a nutshell, Newfoundland was cold, bleak, wet, barren, uninhabited, and I wrecked my neck, my knee, and broke a rim. Other than that it was just endless hills with a headwind.

In a nutshell, Nova Scotia was hot with bugs, hills, bugs, hot, tailwinds, did I mention bugs, and rain. Other than that it was great scenery and friendly people and bugs.

In another nutshell, P.E.I. was quaint, green, warm, tailwinds, green, headwinds, few bugs, and sandy beaches. Other than that, there were cool people, lots of cows, and Anne of Green Gables mania.

In yet another nutshell, New Brunswick was sort of French with bugs, bad roads, bugs, no stainless steel spokes, and bugs. Other than that there were friendly people, super bilingualism and gutsy raccoons.

In une autre nutshell, Quebec was really French with vicious drivers, bad roads, lots of hills, headwinds and rain. Other than that the people were friendly, the scenery gorgeous, lots of whales, cows (la moo!), poutine, and people patient with my pathetic B.C. high school French.

In a slightly cracked nutshell, Ontario was...oops took the bus across that one. Wow is it big and barren with big lakes.

In a slightly salted nutshell, Manitoba was flat with headwinds from hell, sidewinds, other sidewinds, rain, flat, and grainy. Other than that the people were the friendliest yet, a result of their license plates perhaps?

In one big roadkill nutshell, Saskatchewan was flatter with headwinds, tailwinds, scorching heat, goofy town names and way flat. Other than that there was the best paved shoulder, cheap campgrounds and cool junk on the roads like disposable cameras, videos, tapes, signs, license plates...

In a short for time nutshell we caught a ride across Alberta and B.C., wow way faster!!❑

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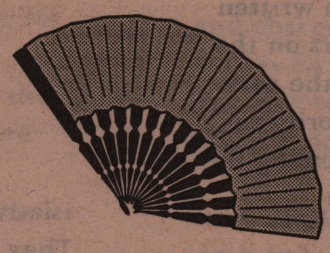

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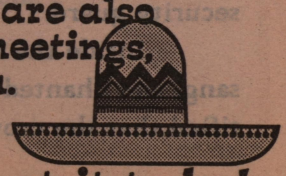

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WHO REMEMBE

Tomorrow, Friday, November 4, a verdict will be issued as to the criminal guilt of six men involved in a protest last year at the Parliament building on the opening day of parliament. The protest, involving hundreds of people, was primarily concerned with the NDP's forestry policies in the Clayoquot Sound area. Only six men were ultimately charged with criminal offenses resulting from the events of the protest.

The following is a personal account of the current supreme court trial of these six men. The author was present at the March 18, 1993, protest and has also been witness to most of the trial proceedings.

For the past two weeks I have been watching the proceedings of the superior court trial of the six adult men facing criminal charges after they and four hundred others demonstrated inside the legislature on the opening day of parliament on March 18, 1993.

The men are charged with counts of forcible entry and the unlawfully causing of bodily harm among other charges. Not all the accused face the same charges.

I was a participant in the proceedings that day. I entered the building with everyone else to bring my voice to my parliament building in concern over the forestry logging practices in Clayoquot sound. I went to express my discontent for NDP policies on the Clayoquot Sound as well as the Carmanah and Walbran watersheds.

There were others there that day who came to lobby other issues through peaceful assembly. Some were calling for the continued administration of the Shaugnessy Hospital. There were also people there to oppose NAFTA. I recall a placard being waved around that read "SHAFTA NAFTA".

• THE CRUSH •

I was near the front of the rally when initiative opened a path up the red carpeted steps—still warm form the feet of Mike Harcourt and David Lam. People were playing drums, clapping, and chanting "save Clayoquot Sound!" It is very hard to convey in words the sensations I felt the moment I stepped over the first rope fence that led up to the steps of the Legislature. Going up the red carpet was nothing short of the sheerest and purest sense of freedom that I have ever yet experienced.

There is generally no public understanding as to where one can and cannot go in the parliament building. There is no written law and no signs to the public. The act of closing the doors on the demonstrators was based upon a spontaneous decision on the part of one parliament security guard (who had no direct authority to do so). One guard decided that the four hundred people coming up the steps had no right entering the building. He was then reinforced by other security staff who came to assist him.

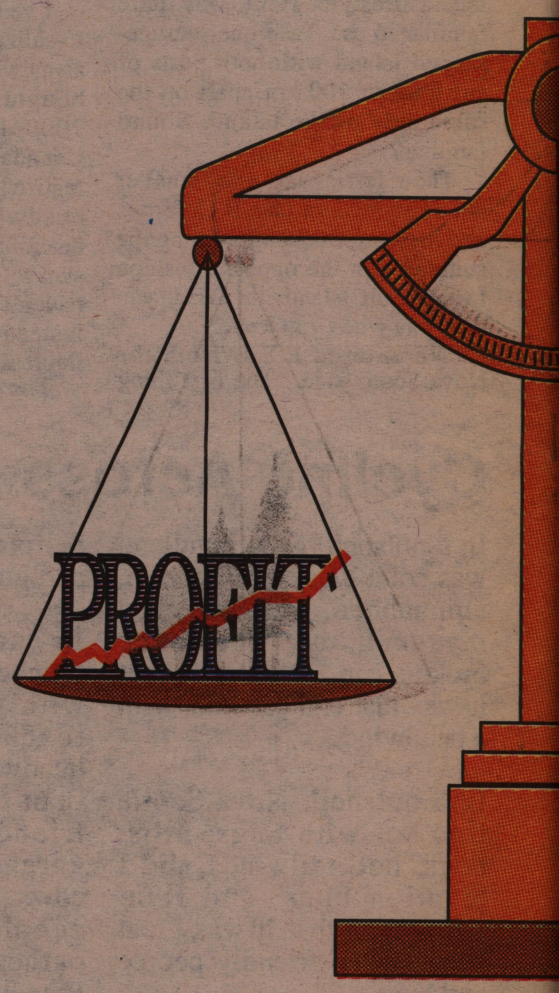
The doors were forcibly closed. There was a crush of hundreds of people up the main steps who pressured the doors, and after a few moments, the doors opened completely and people spilled into the building like a dam breaking. When one of the guards fell over, several people fell with him. A few guards at the door (there were 5 or 6) stepped back at this time and gave way to the people coming through. People immediately flooded into the rotunda area of the building, resulting in the injury to the fallen security guard.

Inside the building, demonstrators played drums, clapped, sang, and chanted "save Clayoquot Sound". All crown witnesses testified that the crowd was neither threatening of hostile. People stood up and gave speeches. The energy level was high and erratic for a time, but the overall impression I got was that people were there to articulate their right to be heard, and did so in a very peaceful, musical, although imposing manner. This was an unusual event for everyone involved. The rally became a spontaneous demonstration in reaction to government bureaucracy.

• THE DISTORTION •

The media conveniently distorted events to the point that, on the news that evening, the event they described on TV was unlike the demonstration I was at.

It was made to appear as a riot, when in actuality it was a peaceful, though highly spirited, event. There was even a collection hat passed around by the ralliers to help pay for the broken stained glass windows. When have you ever heard of a riot group collecting money for damages caused? I don't think that happened in Los Angeles.



When speeches concerning alternative forestry practices (selective and natural logging, hemp forestation) were mentioned, media cameras were shut off. They censored substantial events of the day because they already had their story. The entry, the hurt guard, and the broken windows were the meat of the demonstration to the media—and to the crown subsequently—all else was irrelevant. This is unfortunate. Six men face indictment largely because of the way in which the event was perceived, recorded, and interpreted.

It is truly unfortunate that a security guard was knocked down during the entry into the parliament building. I would never intentionally hurt anyone, and yet I am one of the many accountable within this chain of events. The stained glass that got broken was unforeseen and unintentional; it was the result of too much zeal and unfortunately it detracted from the real issue: Clayoquot Sound.

• THE BACKLASH •

Immediate backlash and condemnation came from the legislative assembly. All the parties were in agreement (for once). They called it a "riot" and "storming" of the Parliament Buildings. Before there were accused or charges there were convictions passed by Mike Harcourt as to the wrongdoing and criminality of the demonstration.

Were the MLAs angry about the disruption of the opening day of Parliament ceremonies? How dare we interrupt such noble proceedings? Were they angry that people were speaking out against the mismanagement and waste by the Harcourt government, rather than wait until next year's election? Were they mad that we asserted our rights? Were they afraid to speak to the young and old in attendance? Have we all forgotten who is also government: namely, ourselves? That a democracy, by definition, is rule by the ruled?

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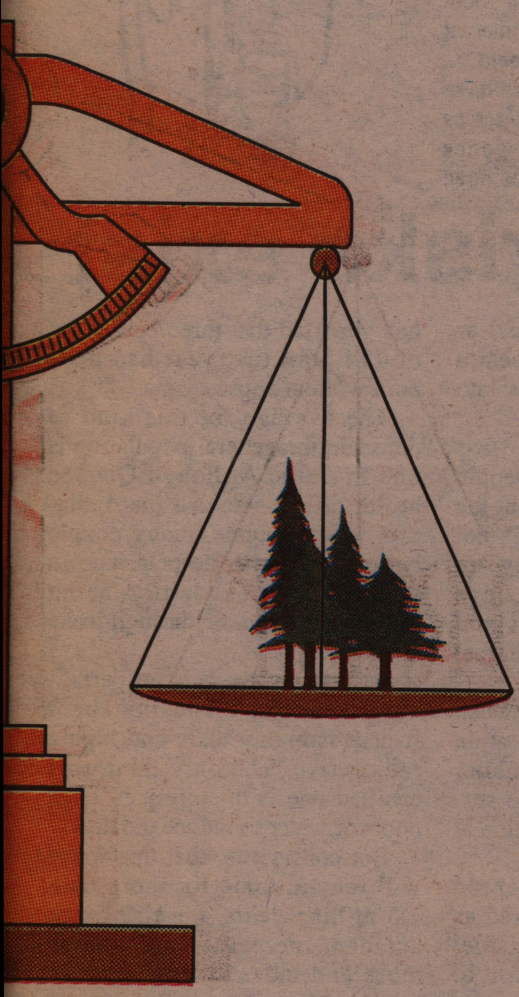
Instead of condemnation, we should have been listened to, and given our chance to voice our concerns directly. Maybe they could have invited us into the legislative chambers where the house sits in session. Where might that path have gone towards opening healthy communication? Judy Tyabji was the only politician with enough sense to speak to, and hear from, the crowd. But even she was reprimanded.

• THE CONTEXT •

For the past two weeks in court, the politics behind this supreme court trial have been minimized to irrelevancy. The chain of events that brought on the demonstration, the excellent speeches and spirits that arose in the legislature for over two hours, and continued the days and months after the protest, have been disregarded so as to attend to the charges at hand. Perhaps this is fair, considering the complexity of the case.



But can or should this event be isolated? Legally, anything is possible. Maybe Mike Harcourt should be subpoenaed. He was there. He did condemn the demonstration in his throne speech (when it resumed after the interruption). He then offered the same condemnation to the media immediately afterwards.

The NDP government has promised policy changes since the legislature rally and the mass arrests and trials of the brave 1200 people who chose to breach a court order and blockade logging trucks in Clayoquot Sound last summer. Is this irrelevant to the charges that these six men presently face?

The issue of Clayoquot Sound has been lost in the proceedings. This trial has focused entirely on punishing six targeted individuals as leaders or instigators of a mob event. Whereas, by circumstance, those people were just nearer to the front of the crowd than others were.

Charges were pending against other "John Does" if they could be identified, but they weren't. Charges were not even considered by crown or police for the highly visible demonstrators, for whatever reasons.

Only men were charged, yet many women were also at the front doors when they opened up into the legislature. Why were they not charged with forcible entry?

While watching this trial, I asked myself: does this court case involving these men have anything to do with Clayoquot Sound, really? Are these men just a bunch of rowdies, as the crown prosecution would have us believe? They sit in the prisoners dock before a jury who will decide if their actions on that day were criminal, but what is really being tried here? Are forestry practices on trial? Is freedom of speech or civil rights being tried? Or is this trial strictly concerning some broken windows, how a person was injured, and a conflict of opinion as to who has access into the parliament building? Where, if anywhere, is Clayoquot Sound in all of this?

If anyone has been to any of the court dates they are likely to have noticed the circus of events that has transpired as the case has unraveled. There has been more humour, jesting, shenanigans and lightheartedness in this trial than I have ever heard of occurring in court. There is a great deal of public dissension discernible within the court room. All these actions suggest that what is transpiring is indeed a political trial and not simply a petty criminal case.

These six accused represent a small portion of the many people who are concerned for the forests, and their own rights. Perhaps the means by which attention was drawn to Clayoquot Sound through this spontaneous demonstration was not acceptable, however, in any form to some.

• THE LESSON •

It has now been a year and a half since the legislature protest. What has happened since, and what have we learned? The NDP government has spent more tax dollars on European and Japanese crusades in an attempt to clean the image of B.C. forest practices.

To their credit, the NDP have made some concessions with CORE, with the designation of some large areas for park land and protection, and with restricted clear-cut logging. An obvious effort has been made to rectify concerns over government policies on many things, especially logging practices and land use. The current government has "promised" other new policies as well. They certainly cleaned up their appearance for the Commonwealth Games publicity.

What I have learned since that day in March, 1993, is the flexibility the government has to alter policies quickly when they get the initiative to do so. Hopefully we have all learned to try to avoid conflict through proper communication as well.

It seems that more and more people are aware of Clayoquot Sound now, but how many care and care enough to see to it (by peaceable means) that the importance of these old growth forests is understood and protected?

I don't know how the forestry practices have actually changed since that day, however. The pace of logging is still not sustainable in longevity. The destruction of wildlife habitat, biodiversity and ecological balance, rivers, mountains, soil, atmosphere is, realistically, incalculable. We don't know the extent of the damage and perpetuation of it. Its effects are long term and compounding, and everyone has different opinions as to the impact.

• THE APPEAL •

I write this article in attempt to draw attention to the trial of these six accused. These people need our support, and the only means that we have to support them is to show up to the proceedings and to try to understand all of its reasoning. By our presence in court, we can let the jury and court know that the men accused and charged with forcible entry, assault, and mischief (differing counts for each), were not alone when they entered the parliament building on the opening day of the 1993 session, and they are not alone now as they stand charged.

To this point, attendance at the trial has been thin, but interested. In this respect, these men are alone in the charges they each face. Any one of the four hundred people who rallied that day could have been "John Doe" or "Jane Doe", and thereby accused, with charges pending. But it hasn't happened that way, it is only these six.

In reflection, with all things considered, I am proud of that day. It would be nice to see more people down at the courthouse. We are all societal peers of the accused, and involvement is our only voice. If responsibility is being sought for the events of that day then we should ask ourselves who is responsible.

John Doe,
resident of Victoria

Gene mutation: monster creation?

by Tom Clarke

Dr. Frankenstien had it easy. In the fictional world of Mary Shelley, creating a monster was as simple as sewing a few body parts together and waiting for a lightning storm.

Ever since though, biologists have been at work trying to understand and manipulate the basic units of life.

Legions of scientists have accumulated a vast and expanding body of knowledge on the building blocks of life and how they can combine and interact to form a living organism.

The Victorian quest for the "spark of life" has evolved into the discipline of genetics and molecular biology.

But can the modern scientist create monsters? Can scientists inadvertently create horrifying and possibly life-threatening mutations like Frankenstein's monster?

"... gene mutation is very real and very useful."

To answer that, we need to first examine life's building blocks.

Scientists start with the gene. The gene is composed of a strip of smaller chunks called DNA, which are twisted around each other.

Scientists start with the gene because it is the smallest building block that can be used to produce something else; literally, the smallest blueprint in the creation of life.

The gene contains information to produce something called a protein. Proteins do almost everything for the functions of life.

No proteins, no life.

Scientists have discovered that a gene can be taken out of one organism and transferred into a second organism that lacks the gene. This allows the second organism to produce the protein specified by transplanted gene. The second organism then becomes cross-gened or a "transgenic organism."

For those whose imaginations have been already fired with visions of half-fish/half-woman, or half-fly/half-man, slow down; there are limits to the number of genes that can be moved between organisms.

First, a scientist has to trick the organism into accepting the gene, because under normal conditions, the cells of an animal will not take in any other organism's building blocks.

Scientists trick organisms by piggy-backing the gene on something smaller, like bacteria or viruses.

The infective part of the bacteria or virus gets replaced with the crossing gene.

This piggy-back combo is called a vector.

But vectors are very small. Because the gene hitch-hiking inside the virus must fit into the protein casing of the virus, only one large or a few small genes can be crammed into a cell.

There's another barrier to crossing genes in animals. For a foreign gene in an animal cell to become active, it must be incorporated into the gene structure of its host.

The foreign gene doesn't know where to go once inside it's new owner, and will just insert itself anywhere in the gene structure.

There is a possibility that the foreign gene will be inserted within a host's gene, destroying the foreign gene.

Also, if a large number of genes were inserted into an animal cell, there would be a good chance that a gene necessary for the survival of the host cell would be destroyed, and the cell would die.

And even if the cell did survive this process a gene can only produce a single protein. Practically none considering an organism uses thousands of proteins interacting with each other. There is only so much that can be modified in a transgenic organism.

"... there are limits to the number of genes that can be moved between organisms."

Nevertheless, gene mutation is very real and very useful.

For instance, genes can be inserted into a plant that will cause that plant to produce an insecticide, or even give a plant resistance to an herbicide.

Instead of killing animals, and taking insulin from their dead pancreases, scientists can now produce large amounts of insulin using genetically altered bacteria. The gene for human insulin is inserted into a bacterium, and presto! the bacteria grows into an insulin-producing culture.

Genetic engineering though, cannot be used to create monsters or to design a "superior race." Even if some way could be found to insert large amounts of DNA into a cell without destroying existing genes, scientists would not have overcome the greatest barrier to creating monsters out of humans.

Two alien developmental pathways cannot simply be grafted on to each other. Most organs depend on a complex interaction of many proteins to form correctly.

An organism's development is a delicate process, requiring that a specific protein be produced by specific cells at a particular time. Any attempt to radically alter this operation will probably result in the death of the organism when it is still an embryo.

For all of our knowledge of genetics, we know very little about how the proteins from genes interact during a mammal's development.

Although some hormones have been identified which can act as growth factors and some genes which cause genetic diseases have been located, much of the processes of development remain to be discovered.

So, it you want to be scared by a man with the head of a fly or the woman with the body of a fish, read a book, because creatures like this are doomed to remain the property of the science fiction writer.

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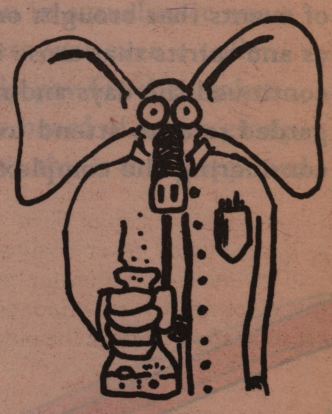


Nuclear power risks exist

by Maureen Choy,
the Link, Concordia University

MONTREAL (CUP) — Even though nuclear power is one of the most environmentally-friendly energy resources, the risk of radioactive contamination still exists. April 26, 1986 is a day that many people will remember for a longtime to come: an explosion and fire at the Chernobyl nuclear powerplant in the Ukraine sent a cloud of radioactive particles into the atmosphere.

The effect of this disaster was felt all over Europe, and people became more concerned about the safety of nuclear power. It's not that other sources of energy are without accidents. There have been numerous explosions and fires at oil refineries in Montreal East.

The main difference between the two is that an explosion at an oil refinery has a much smaller chance of contaminating the surrounding area than an explosion at a nuclear power plant.

In September 1991, a fuel rod fell to the ground and cracked as employees removed a used fuel "bundle" from the reactor at Hydro-Quebec's Gentilly 2 nuclear power plant. One worker was exposed to an amount of radiation that is equal to the average allowable amount for a year.

Later that month, their fuelling machine broke down, contaminating an enclosed area. And in 1993 at Ontario Hydro's Bruce Heavy Water Plant, employees were poisoned by hydrogen sulphide.

Despite these incidents, the nuclear industry argues that nuclear power is safe and reactors are well protected. One of the main advocates for nuclear power is the Canadian Nuclear Association (CNA). Colin Hunt, editor of publications for the CNA, argues that there has never been a provable link between nuclear emissions and safety.

But according to David McArthur, a writer who worked for the CNA, people living near nuclear plants should be concerned about their health.

McArthur cites a case in Pickering, Ontario, where one-third of birth defects between July 1985 and December 1986 were caused by exposure to nuclear radiation coming from a nearby plant.

In 1989, nurses at Ste. Marie Hospital in Trois Rivieres, Quebec, reported that three babies out of 174 born that year had been born without anuses.

The average for this kind of defect in the general population is one in 5,000.Although Quebec health officials denied that radiation was to blame, many people believe the birth defects were a direct result of radiation being released into the air through leaks at a nearby plant.

At present, there is no permanent means of disposing spent fuel. It is highly toxic and highly radioactive. The only thing that can bed one is to store it in huge pools of water to reduce the heat

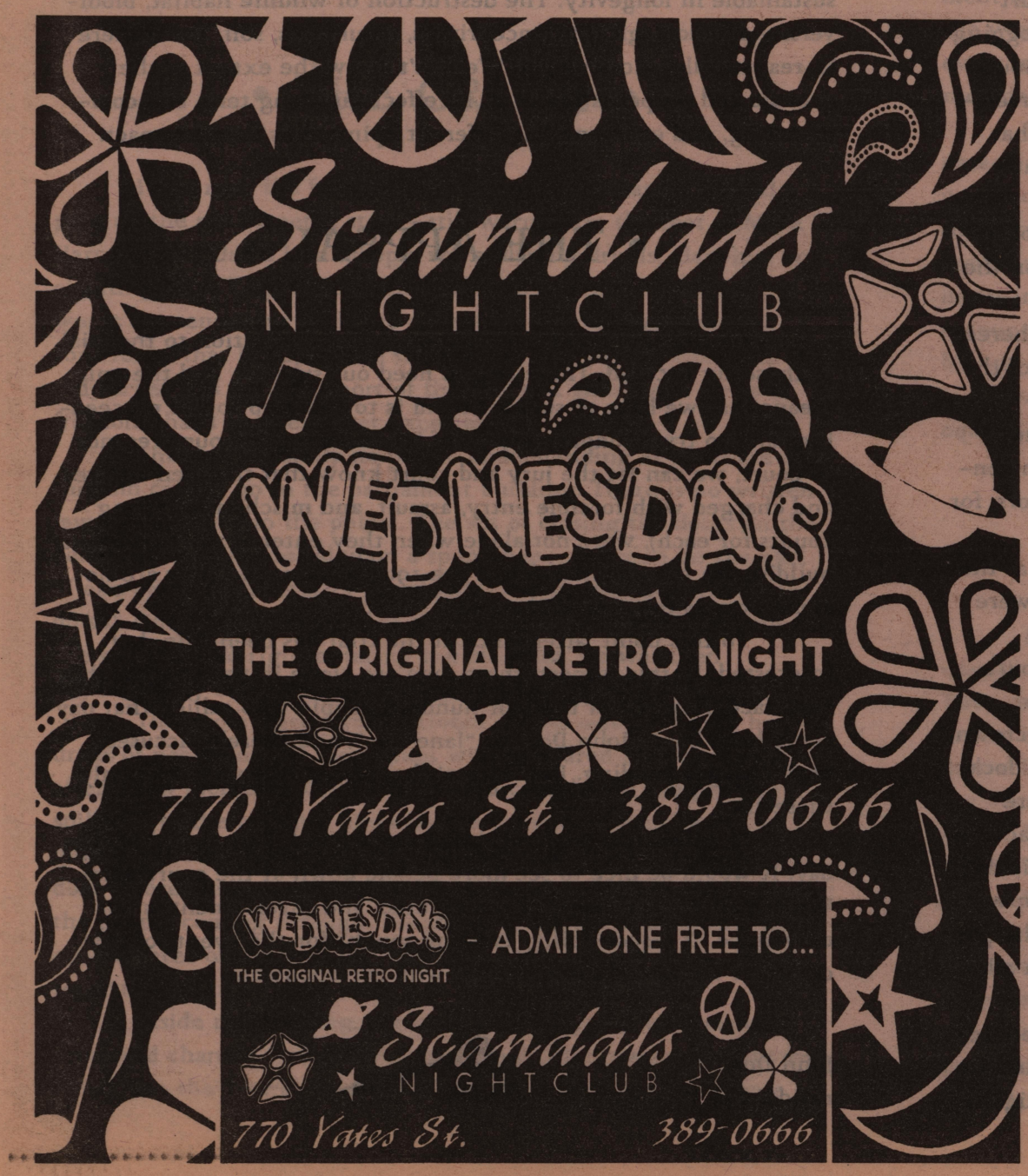
But considering that this waste will remain toxic for more than 4.5 million years, the risk of an accident increases each day as more and more of this waste is produced.

The Atomic Energy Control Board (AECB), a federal agency, was created to monitor energy production and consumption in Canada.

In 1993, it slammed the New Brunswick Power Corporation for a lack of safety awareness at its Point Lepreau plant. The AECB noted 10 violations of the provincial crown corporation's operating license. That was up from nine in 1992

In its annual report, the AECB said that New Brunswick Power had shown a lack of urgency in correcting the problems, including its failure to carry out "safety culture" training. Despite these facts, the AECB renewed its license.

So what can individuals do? For starters, we can write to our local member of parliament to voice our concerns — especially since the nuclear reactors in Canada are built by Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd., a federal crown corporation.That means that all Canadian tax payers have contributed directly or indirectly to fund this company. If enough people write their local MP, government may be forced to do something.❑



Candle reclaims jewel of language

by Tara Colborne

Fabulous Yellow Roman Candle
by Charles Tidler
Intrepid Theatre
October 26 - Nov. 6

Jack Kerouac has been called just about everything: a hero, an asshole, a poet, a revolutionary and a drunk.

No matter what your impressions of Mr. Kerouac, local playwright Charles Tidler's *Fabulous Yellow Roman Candle* will surprise you. Especially if you go to the play expecting a story about how "cool" beatnik life was.

What you will find instead is an exhilarating presentation of an artist's struggle to survive his own passions.

The bittersweet love between Jack (Eric Breker), and his mother Gabrielle, (Judith McDowell) forms the crux of Kerouac's development. Their wild and tempestuous relationship is filled with guilt trips and power struggles. Both characters take on the position of child, lover, prisoner or master at some point in the play.

"...an artist's struggle to survive his own passions."

Saint Gerard, although not a character physically present in the play, also influences Kerouac. Gerard is his brother who died at nine years of age. Both Jack and his mother view Gerard as a holy presence guiding their lives.

Kerouac asks himself, "Do I want to be a saint or a famous writer?" It is as if he must become his brother or exorcise his memory completely in order to be free.

And for those following the neo-beatnik craze, the play includes all that beatnik stuff. Jack Kerouac looks for meaning in "the void" and chats endlessly with a mouse. Amidst live saxophone musings (Marco Guizzo) and rhythmic ramblings Kerouac reveals the anxieties and hopelessness of his generation.

Jack says he "wants to stop the brain machinery," and to do this he goes to extremes in all his endeavors. He drinks, he seeks guidance on a mountain top, he drinks again, he reads his poetry, he runs around madly with Neil Cassidy (Tariq Leslie), and he always wears the same plaid shirt. Oh yeah!

Fabulous Yellow Roman Candle premiered in Toronto in 1992 at the du Maurier jazz festival. Charles Tidler and the Toronto cast received critical acclaim. The play echoes Kerouac's poetry and develops its own distinct, evocative voice.

Every utterance of the actors is rich with intent, poetry and feeling. As Kerouac would have wanted *Fabulous Yellow Roman Candle* "reclaims the jewel of languag."

Eric Breker has found Kerouac inside himself. Each bend of his limbs and every roar of frustration convinces the audience that Jack is back.

Judith McDowell, as Gabrielle, presents a tortured character with sensitivity and skill. Her interactions with Eric Breker are mesmerizing and often revolve around her apparently natural ease and grace.

The third actor in this superb trio is Tariq Leslie, as Neil Cassidy. His energy and frenzied movement are irresistible. Most notably, in the opening scene his contractions and invocations leave the audience invigorated and prepared for the rest of this excellent play.❑

Carolyn Cassidy photo

Charles Tidler's new play Fabulous Yellow Roman Candle explores the life of Beat Generation writer Jack Kerouac (shown here on the cover of On the Road).

Diary lacks passion

by Brian Brown

The Diary
by Scarface
Virgin Records
1994

There's no need to peek in this diary. It's terribly bland.

The intro is promising, with a beautiful piece of classical music, which also re-appears at the album's end.

The rest of the album has little worth mentioning. There are several decent chorus lines, like: "When you're drivin' thru your muthafuckin' hood, what do you see?—-A buncha muthafuckin' G's." However, the chorus doesn't save the song.

The lyrics try to be aggressive, but lack passion to make them believable.

Apart from the intro/exit piece, the samples are generally poor. Scarface uses "99 Luftballons" by German pop singer Nena to extract music for a passable ballad, but that's it.

I've heard positive things about Scarface, so *The Diary* probably doesn't represent his best work. Hopefully, his next will be worth a second look.❑

Local bands Pressure Cooker, Fungkus (shown) and Soul Tribe will get their funk together at the UVic Commons block this Friday, November 4.

Dead idealism equals rage

by Teresa McWhirter

Home
by Spearhead
Capitol

Born Dead
by Body Count
Virgin

From the liberating 60s, the escapism and polyester of the 70s, and the 80s wasteland of greed we emerged into the Nineties with rage.

Anger is productive if it's accompanied by awareness. Body Count and Spearhead are conscious of our screwed-up society and both question where we're going.

Musically, however, their musical styles are polar opposites. Spearhead's avant-garde junkyard funk is a much different ride than Ice-T's hardcore speed metal assault, Body Count.

It would be a waste to put this talent in a box labelled Angry Black Men. This is their reality, which may be different from the listener, but the messages move across any external boundaries. Both bands are angry, but Spearhead's melodic songs leave you with a feeling of muted optimism. Body Count's death metal sound is blind rage, and it's pretty hard to groove to. But hey, form dictates content. Nihilistic funk, anyone?

There is a lot of common ground between the two bands. Spearhead's creator Michael Franti, of the now-defunct Disposable Heroes of Hiphoprisy, moved from a style similar to Ice-T's in-your-muthafuckin-face rap to one of seduction.

In Body Count Ice-T has gone industrial, resulting in over-the-top controversy with the single "Cop Killer."

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Now dig this segue: growing up in the twisted, self-referential, gratuitous, hyped up, wigged out technological war zone we call society, all we can do is move back. The signifier of dead idealism is the desire to capture what is gone. Toys, early 70s t.v. shows, Baby doll clothes, barrettes, lunch boxes, pacifiers, Pee Wee Herman, low-riders, Sesame Street, the cult of Ravers, Skateboarders, and Weed Fiends come from searching for the space we remember before our consciousness was formed consuming Coca-Cola, Reaganomics, and slickly produced rock videos by coked-up Eurotrash.

These CDs, both at the forefront of what's going down, are adult expressions of child-like (not childish) anger, confusion and disgust.

In "Drive By" Ice-T repeats "You killed my fucking brother" with a scream of pure, simple rage for much of the 90 second song. The same is true for the intro, "Body M/F Count"—a statement of who they are. The fury of Ernie C's riffs is where they're coming from. "Last Breath" is an ode to horror films, particularly *Hallowe'en*. The song is beautifully ironic considering the Michael Myers' of the real world are law students named Ted Bundy. The title track is about coming from and growing up with nothing, "Born in South America,/Born in South Africa,/Born in South Central/Born dead."

The cover of Spearhead's *Home* is of a young African-American woman breastfeeding her child. The first song "People in tha Middle" tells who they are, with a melodic hey-diddle-diddle chorus. It juxtaposes the simple, good things that are left, juxtaposed with the shit.

"100,000 Miles" opens with "The junkies, the hookers, the dealers outside" and Franti tripping on the fact he hasn't talked to his gramma for a long time.

"Red Beans and Rice" is a simple little ditty about the ritual of preparing food, "and I will break bread/with those who are strangers."

Body Count is a cold-cock, Spearhead is a slip across the palm, but they both connect with you.

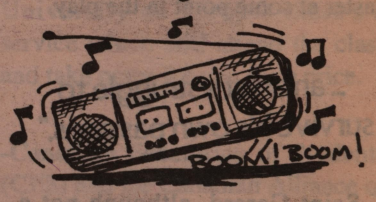
Ironically, Spearhead makes a reference to Body Count in "Crime to be Broke in America": "They blame it on a song/when someone kills a cop/what music did they listen to/when they bombed Iraq?"

If it came right down to it, the better disc is *Home*, for the simple yet essential fact that Body Count's music alienates women.

Body Count's anger is real and no harder for women to relate to than men, but when they throw in a cover of "Hey Joe", women are forced to disregard their voice, literally and figuratively, as a matter of self-preservation.

Jimi is a god, but what is Body Count saying with this song, as opposed to, say, "Little Wings"? In contrast, Spearhead's "Crime to be broke in America" ends with, "It's a crime to be Puerto Rican/ African/ Native American/ Asian/ Haitian/ A Woman."

Regardless, anyone who listens to either CD and doesn't challenge, question or get angry. should turn it off, because they must be fucking dead.❑



Fun is a grotesque milkshake

by Andrew Musgrave

My Idea of Fun
by Will Self
Atlantic Monthly
1994

Will Self's first novel, about the shaping of a psychopath, has been causing a commotion in Britain.

Well that it should. *My Idea of Fun* is inventive in form and athletic in language. It is filled with realistic detail, making it frighteningly vivid.

Its finesse and originality distinguish it from more formulaic popular horror.

The book unfolds like a grotesque milkshake. Will Self places the events side-by-side along the counter. Once the reader begins to question their connection, they are thrown into the blender for a whirl.

The product is as incredible and horrifying as the process. *My Idea of Fun* opens and ends with Ian Wharton's dilemma. He fears his wife is carrying the Devil's son, and he will have to kill her.

Mr. Wharton's idea of a good time involves a combination of decapitation and necrophilia, in that order, and on a subway. Revealing any more would be giving away the fun.

Self's book creates a sense of dread that follows the reader all the way through to the epilogue.

This book lacks satire or profound social commentary. It is an enjoyable read, but you might feel guilty afterwards.❑

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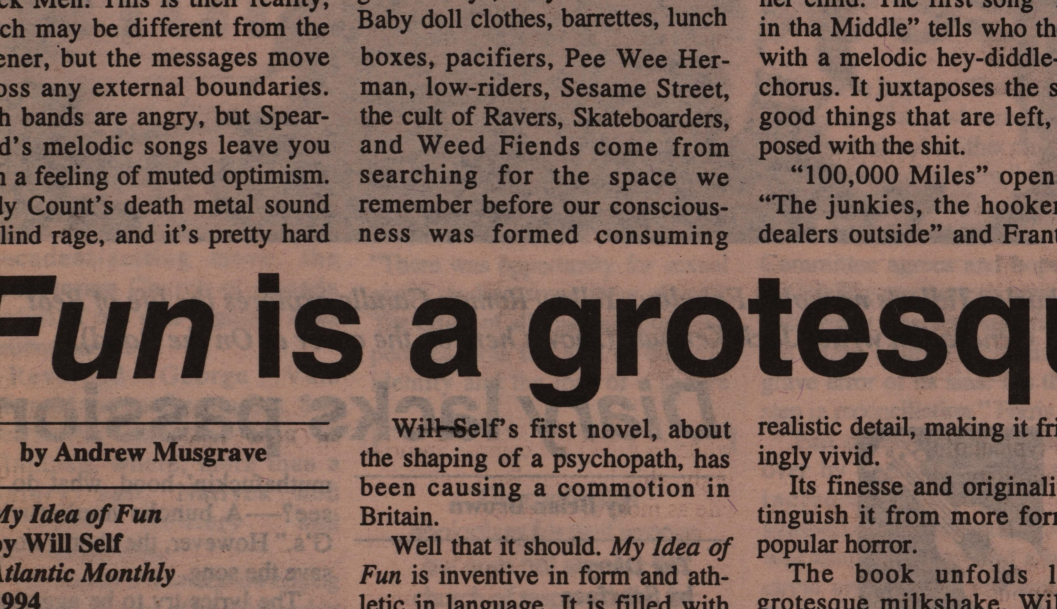

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Promised Land

by Lucas Aykroyd

Promised Land
by Queensryche
EMI Records
1994

This just might be the best record of 1994.

Promised Land reaffirms Queensryche's status as America's finest progressive metal group.

Their 1988 concept album *Operation: Mindcrime* brimmed with passion. Songs like "Silent Lucidity" gave their 1990 triple-platinum effort *Empire* an introspective feel.

But the Seattle quintet's fifth studio album synthesizes those winning elements and takes their music to the next level. Watch out, Pink Floyd!

Dark, majestic textures emerge from the song writing collaboration of guitarist Chris DeGarmo and singer Geoff Tate. They explore lyrical themes ranging from the generation gap "Bridge" to the plight of the mentally hanidcapped "Out of Mind".

Although these musings are backed by thunderous power chords and Scott Rockenfield's forceful drumming, the material avoids the clichés that drag down many metal bands.

Tate is one of rock's most powerful vocalists, but his operatic singing doesn't lack sensitivity. His emotional build-up on the acoustic, piano-driven number "Someone Else?" will send shivers down your spine. His growling intensity on the current single, "I Am I", cuts through the guitars like a steel blade.

Bassist Eddie Jackson also makes his presence known, laying down menacing grooves on "Damaged" and "Disconnected."

Other highlights include the visionary call of "Lady Jane" and the title track's farewell to the American Dream, which recalls "Kashmir" by Led Zeppelin in its aural grandeur. Clean, dynamic production from James Barton rounds out this happy marriage of melody, energy and musicianship.❑

Fred Rosenberg photo

Performance poet Nicola Harwood brought her vision of the Canadian west to Open Space October 27-30 as part of their New Theatre Series.

Book's hype expelled

Lucas Aykroyd

The Stone Diaries
by Carol Shields
Vintage Books
1993

What's all the fuss about?

The Stone Diaries won the Governor General's Award last year, was shortlisted for the Booker Prize, got rave reviews from *Maclean's* and the *New York Times*. It dominated the national book charts for months.

But amid the hype, serious flaws in Carol Shields' novel were overlooked.

The book relates the life of a woman named Daisy Goodwill, born in Manitoba in 1905. Childhood, marriage and old age are examined through the eyes of an omniscient third-person narrator, with some alternative views from a host of secondary characters.

Littered with period details in Chekhovian style, *The Stone Diaries* aims to document the shifting roles of women and the precariousness of human experience which has marked the 20th century.

However, Shields exceeds the bounds of plausibility by riddling her plot with tragic coincidences: Daisy's natural mother was so fat that no one noticed her pregnancy, allowing her to die in childbirth. Daisy's stepmother got run over by a bicycle and died. Daisy's husband got drunk on their honeymoon in France, fell off a balcony and died.

Yeah, sure.

We are also expected to believe Daisy's father spent his widowed life building stone towers and pyramids. Meanwhile, her stepfather memorized the entire text of Jane Eyre and lived to be 115.

The discrepancy between the exploration of ordinary experiences and such improbabilities alienates the reader.

"... exceeds the bounds of plausibility..."

So do the abrupt plot twists presented in the two "letters" sections of the book. In a 1958 note, we learn one of Daisy's old friends is getting married. Four pages later in 1960, Daisy's daughter Alice is entering connubial bliss. The transition happens so quickly one stops to relocate within the narrative.

Shields' talents seem better suited to short stories. There are some good vignettes here, including a society lady's speech on etiquette to her prospective daughter-in-law, and Daisy's embarrassed explanation of sex to nine-year-old Alice.

But some segments are interminable, such as the in-depth look at Daisy's gardening column for an Ottawa paper.

It's a relief when the poor woman is finally laid to rest on page 361.❑

A Pulpy aftertaste

by Brian Brown

Pulp Fiction
directed by Quentin Tarantino
Miramax Films

Some movies are aptly named. Alas, this is one of them.

Pulp Fiction has a fine cast, including Bruce Willis, John Travolta, Harvey Keitel, and Julia Sweeney. It also has a talented director, Quentin Tarantino, director of *Reservoir Dogs* and author of *True Romance*. So, what went wrong?

First of all, there are too many time shifts and scene changes. *Reservoir Dogs* had a similar problem, but *Pulp Fiction* pushes it.

Secondly, an evil callousness fills the movie. For example, we're supposed to laugh when gangsters hire a "pro" to help them clean their blood-and-brains-laden car. This gratuitous violence is typical of the whole film.

The nihilistic characters torture each other while casually talking about fast food. They try to choose the most esthetically pleasing weapons for their carnage. They seek 10 times the revenge to which they're morally entitled.

There are some humorous concepts, for example the gold watch that Butch (Bruce Willis) hoarded since childhood for sentimental reasons. His late father hid the watch rectally for seven years while in a P.O.W. camp. Surprisingly, this humour isn't nearly as vile as most of the jokes.

Despite a few pleasant moments, *Pulp Fiction* leaves a foul aftertaste. It's a shame; Tarantino needs some enlightenment to go along with his directorial talent.❑

Believe Seger's integrity

by Lucas Aykroyd

Greatest Hits
by Bob Seger & The Silver Bullet Band
Capitol Records
1994

An alternative title for this album could be Meat And Potatoes.

Although Bob Seger has released nine straight million-seller albums, he hasn't done it the fancy way. No big light shows, no wild parties, no tattoos—as far as we know, anyway. The Detroit rock veteran sticks to chronicling the simple joys and sorrows of regular American folks.

This collection of 14 songs features all of Seger's major hits, like "Old Time Rock & Roll", the number two juke-box single of all time. The galloping nostalgia of "Hollywood Nights" still sounds good, paced by a double drums overdub. And "Like A Rock" evokes memories of a certain Dodge (or was it Chevy?) truck commercial which aired in the late 80s.

These days, anyone and everyone is selling their melodies to push Pepsi or underarm deodorant. But somehow Seger makes you believe in his integrity.

His gritty vocals hold the listener on the album's two new tracks. The Chuck Berry cover, "C'est La Vie", takes a playful look at a 50s-style wedding. "In Your Time" is a ballad of hope written for Seger's young son Cole.❑

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BILLBOARDS

If you have an event you would like placed in the Billboards, send the announcement to the Billboards Editor, c/o The Martlet.

Thursday November 3

CINECENTA

Barcelona. 7:10 & 9:15 pm.

HARPO'S

She Stole My Beer - Vancouver's Rock Groovemasters. Student Night $2 admission with I.D.

Friday November 4

CINECENTA

The Mask. 7:10 & 9:10 pm. Latenight: Heathers. 11 pm.

DANCE

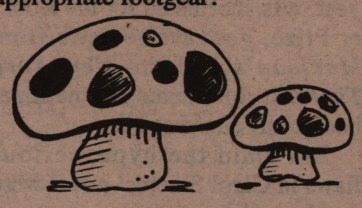
Intervarsity Christian Fellowship is holding a folk dance in the SUB upper lounge $2. Everyone is welcome. Info: Steve 592-6789 or Tara 472-1222.

LECTURE

Are you going to graduate school in psychology and interested in scholarships available? Psychology Student's Society will be presenting Dr. Bavelas at 12:30 in Cor A121.

MUSHROOMS

Interested in learning about mushrooms on campus? Join Bev Glover and the Native Vegetation committee on a guided walk through Mystic Vale. Meet in front of the library (under a mushroom) at 12:00. Please wear appropriate footgear!



SLIDE SHOW

Cafe Simpatico Coffee House presents "Travels on the Wild Coast", Wesley Brick and his slide show on Nicaragua. Tickets are $4. Runs from 8 pm - 11 pm 1923 Fernwood Road. Info: 474-5403.

SEMINAR

UVic Department of Economics presents Varadarajan Chari: Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, "The Economics of Split-Voting Representative Democracies". 2:30 - 4:00 pm Cornett B344.

HARPO'S

She Stole My Beer - Vancouver's Rock Groovemasters. $1 off with student I.D.

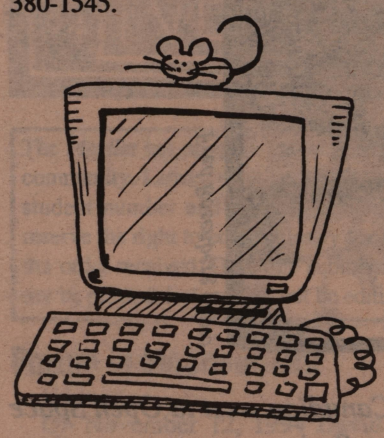
Saturday November 5

CINECENTA

The Mask. 7:10 & 9:10 pm. Latenight: Heathers. 11:00 pm.

COMPUTER SHOW

Computer Show 94' - an annual event showcasing software, hardware, peripherals, and computer related services. 9 am - 5 pm at the Cedar Hill Rec Centre - 3220 Cedar Hill Road. Admission $5 Adults, $4 Seniors, $3 Students. Info: 370-2983 or 380-1545.



HARPO'S

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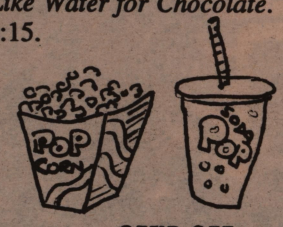
Sunday November 6

CINECENTA

Like Water for Chocolate. 7:10 & 9:15.



SEND-OFF

The Caravan to Cuba will depart from Victoria with its cargo of Humanitarian Aid. These supplies will be transported across Canada to Montreal, then by ship to Havana. Music, entertainment, lots of fun and community spirit in this celebration of hope and friendship. Be at the soccer field behind Mile "0" at 11 am. Info: 474-5403

MEETING

WUSC (World University Service of Canada) meeting at 7:00 pm in SUB 137A. New members welcome; come out and listen to international travelling experiences.

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Monday November 7

CINECENTA

The Architecture of Doom. 7:00 & 9:15.

LECTURE

Christian science lecture entitled "God - Man's Image Maker" by Jill Gooding at 7:30 pm at the First Church of Christ, Scientist, 1205 Pandora Avenue. Free parking, childcare.

Tuesday November 8

HARPO'S

Jane Arden. $1 off with student I.D.

CINECENTA

Sunset Boulevard. 7:10 & 9:20.

Wednesday November 9

CINECENTA

Leon the pig farmer. 7:10 & 9:15.

HARPO'S

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It's a great deal. And you don't have to be a math major to understand.

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Coming

BIG BROTHERS/SISTERS

Big Brothers and Big Sisters are needed by our agency! Come out to volunteer information night. Starts at 7:00 pm at suite 103-3347, Oak Street. Please pre-register as space is limited. Info: 475-1117. Another session will also be held on Thursday, November 24th.

AIESEC

Nov.26 - You've seen the signs! It's another GREAT AIESEC function. Now that you know the date, we'll reveal the details next week - keep posted for more details!

LECTURE

Thomas G. Heintzman, Q.C., President Canadian Bar Association on "The Role of National Institutions in the Quebec Question". Tuesday, November 22, 12:30 - 1:30 pm Begbie 158.

LUNCHEON

University Women's Club of Victoria annual scholarship luncheon Wednesday, November 16, 1994 at Princess Mary Restaurant, 12:00 noon. Tickets $16 per person. Guest speaker: Dr. Elizabeth Ashton, president Camosun College. Info: 592-2886 between 10 to 6 pm.

BAKE SALE

Vegetarian Bake Sale Tuesday, November 15 at the SUB.

LECTURE

Dr. Michael Klaper speaks on vegetarianism Tuesday, November 15 at Begbie 159. Tix at door.

On Going

EMPLOYMENT

Federal Summer Students Employment Program (FSSEP) applications, formerly COSEP, have arrived. The earliest deadline is November 15, for Canada Customs and the Department of National Defence. Other deadlines will follow. Application deadline for the Management Trainee Program is Nov 4. Convocating this month? Sign up now for the Alumni Career Services Graduate Inventory! Visit our office for details on this program. Check out the Career Resource Library for information on companies, labour markets and job searches. Overseas work and study information is also available. Student Employment Centre, Campus Services building.

BOOK SALE

Paperback Fiction Fundraiser. Paperback fiction donations needed, your extra books can become extra bucks for the 1994 UVic United Way campaign. Bring your donations to the McPherson Library Reference Desk until Nov 16. All books donated will be sold for $1 each from 10 am - 4 pm, in the McPherson Library Lobby, Thursday Nov 17.

People Needed

VOLUNTEERS

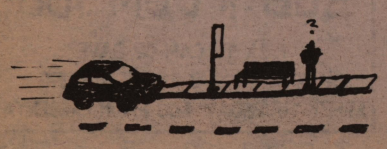
Volunteers needed to help with the Students' Society Campaigns this year. If you are interested and want to know more about the Social Policy Review, Systemic Discrimination, Education Barriers, Eating Disorders, International Women's Week...come join Student and Social issues at 1:30 pm in the SUB Resource Centre.

Clubs

COMMONWEALTH CLUB

World development aid, diplomacy, consensus, and cooperation: there is more to the Commonwealth of Nations than just the Games every four years. Be where the action is! Info: Chris 721-1653 or Christina 598-6330.

The UVIC Commonwealth Club would like to invite all UVIC students to attend a luncheon with the Vancouver Island Royal Commonwealth Society at noon on Thursday, November 17 at the Imperial Inn. The guest speaker will be Paul Chamberlain. Info: Adrian 472-0025.



LGBA

Come out to the LGBA. Tuesdays are the coming out meetings from 6 to 7:30 pm. Activist meetings are Fridays from 12:30 to 2:00 pm

UVIC SKI CLUB

"Get you skis shined up, grab a stick of juicy fruit," cuz the Ski Club is gonna party. Apex Alpine, Jan 2-6, for only $325. This includes 4 days skiing, 4 days accom, bus transport, breakfast, hot tubs ... $100 deposit is due Oct 28. Meet Fridays at 3 pm in Cle A207 or call Chris 477-3672, Julie 383-0530 or Ian 658-6106.

Ski swap November 4th and 5th at Hillside shopping center. If you have gear to sell or are looking for second hand - this is the place. Drop off consignment gear Thurs, Nov 3, 6-9 pm at Hillside. Call Ian 658-6106 for more info.

CIRCLE K

The Circle K Volunteers' Club. Volunteering that fits your schedule. A wide variety of service projects. University level of Kiwanis. No religious or political associations. Meetings: Thursdays 5:30 pm Cle C316. Info: Patrick or Roxanne @ 472-1219.

BADMINTON

The Badminton Club is now going! See us at the McKinnon Gym, Sundays 6:00 - 10:00 pm,. Racquets and birds provided. Call Alan @ 592-1704 for more details.

LE CLUB FRANCAIS

Conversation hours are back! They're an informal relaxed way to practice your French no matter what level you are at. They will take place in the Upper SUB Lounge Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30 & Thursdays 2:30-3:30 pm. Look for the flags on the table and drop by.

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LOST - Sunday, October 16th at Raven's Wing. Plaid scarf in browns and oranges with (roughly) heart shaped metal pin. Enormous sentimental value. Call Monica 478-9918.

PSSST...

Cincenta boy; cute, tall, bald, specs. Saw U at bar tues. Lik U bik & guitar. We can make music. Pls RSVP.

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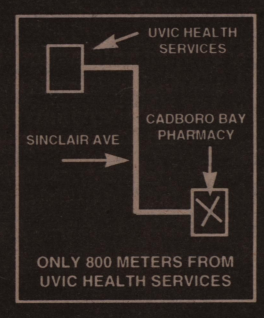

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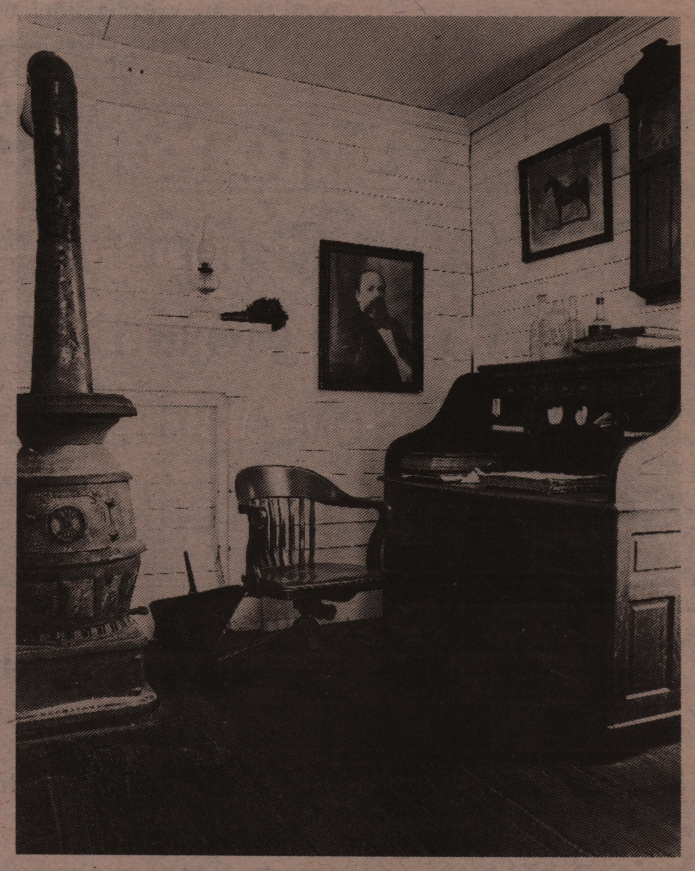
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JACK DANIEL'S TENNESSEE WHISKEY

Strong show by UVic rowers

by Jay Bertagnolli

For fifteen autumn seasons, UVic crews have raced up the Gorge waterway. This past Saturday marked the fifteenth anniversary of the Head of the Gorge, and its Sunday partner the Head of the Elk.

The whole weekend brought together some 400 participants, from hometowns as diverse as Winnepeg and Portland.

"the varsity women blazed through the Gorge"

Echoing the results from a decade and a half ago, the UVic Men's and Women's varsity and Junior Varsity programs stroked to victory in both day's events.

The Varsity women blazed through the Gorge, looking very strong in their first race of the season with a time of 15:26.50. Following in a similarly aggressive fashion, the JV crew stormed the narrows, finishing the race in 15:57.20.

After the veterans' demonstration, the two novice women's eights charged down the course.

They came first and second, but the difference in final time between them was only two-one-hundredths of a second, a very close margin for a 5km race.

Later that afternoon the men's crew took to the water. With the quick course conditions, the Varsity eight thundered to a record time of 14:18.30. Calgary edged out UBC for second place with a time of 15:14.30.

The JV eight showed that they were to be serious competitors within their field when they defeated a second place Edmonton by thirty seconds, posting a time of 15:39.10.

This is as far as UVic's dominance was to extend.

While the novice men rowed very well, they did not have the power to match the University of Alberta and UBC teams who took first and second respectively.

Sunday's racing at Elk Lake was a virtual repeat of the previous day's results.

The longer 8km course was not an obstacle as both men's and women's varsity and junior varsity powered to decisive victory.

Improvements were made by the novice men who came in second behind UBC, beating out U of A for third.

The novice women again took the top two spots, but Saturday's golds became Sunday's silvers as they lost to their UVic teammates by fifty-nine seconds.

"...here, technique is just as important as power"

The veteran crews may yet have to face their toughest challenger despite last weekend's victories. Varsity team-member Kristen Meissner felt that the strong performances of their rivals UBC and the Victoria City Rowing Club taught them that they will have to continue "looking over their shoulder."

Former UBC rower Ted Strome (now on UVic's varsity crew) learned that here, technique is just as important as power.

When asked how it felt to defeat his former crew, he said that he had no hard feelings, and he enjoyed the win.

Victory will be the goal again this weekend as the varsity crews travel to Portland, Oregon. They will compete against the well seasoned Cornell and University of Washington teams.

Confidence is brimming within UVic's crews, and varsity stroke Adam Parfitt intends to "give 'em a good run for their money."❑

UVic rowed to several victories this past weekend

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UVic fences tournament

by Andy Bordon

The Derek Tumber Open fencing tournament was held at UVic this past weekend.

The event featured competitors from fencing organizations both on the island as well as across B.C. Members of the UVic Fencing Club sponsored the event and organizers are calling it a "kick start for fencing in B.C."

Fencing Club president Clare Cronin and vice-president Steve Manson remained busy behind the scenes during the event directing bouts and collating the results. Coaches Nan Sang Ho, David Meers and Jed Chaplin assisted new members with a plethora of last minute details and advice.

Their work certainly produced results as UVic was able to achieve admirable results in all fields.

The UVic Fencing Club will host the John Charles Otis Memorial Tournament on November 26 and 27th. A novice event will precede the afternoon events with the Foil bouts on Saturday followed by the Epee on Sunday. New members as well as old are invited to participate in both events. ❑

Results of the Derek Tumber Fencing Tournament held at UVic October 29 and 30, 1994

Novice mixed Foil
(for inexperienced fencers)

1st	Nick Blumberg	VFC
2nd	Nick Vagvolgyi	UVic
3rd	Amin Ibrahim	N. Van.
	Nick Jupe	VFC

Women's Epee

1st	Karen Simonsen	Vanguard
2nd	Hana duTemple	VFC
3rd	Clare Cronin	UVic
	Lola Sim	UBC

Novice Mixed Epee

1st	Christopher Dean	Vanguard
2nd	Brendan Robertson	UBC
3rd	Barry Tompkins	UVic
	Mary Jane Harris	Courtney

Men's Foil

1st	David Meers	UVic
2nd	Ed Mou	UBC
3rd	Jed Chaplin	VFC
	Conan Phelan	UVic

Women's Foil

1st	Veronika Ho	VFC
2nd	Jin Lin	Courtney
3rd	Johanna Kleyn	UVic
	Mary Jane Stevens	VFC

Men's Epee

1st	David Meers	UVic
2nd	Allan Foster	VFC
3rd	Morgan Burke	UBC
	Da-Li Lin	Courtney

NOTICE

The UVic Computer store will be closed on Saturday Nov. 12th, due to reading break.

YOUR WAY TO JAPAN

The Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Program

INFORMATION SEMINAR
Nov. 8 (Tue)
from 2:30 p.m. at UVic
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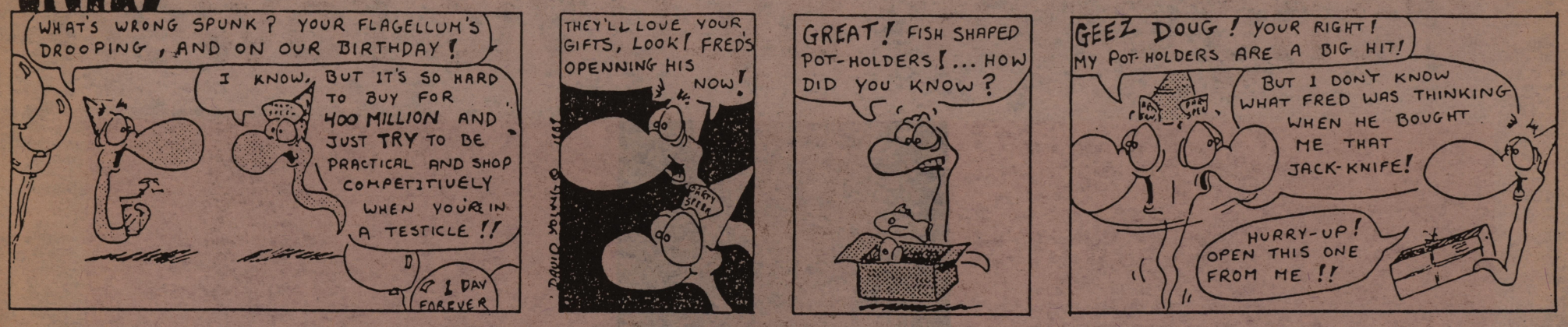
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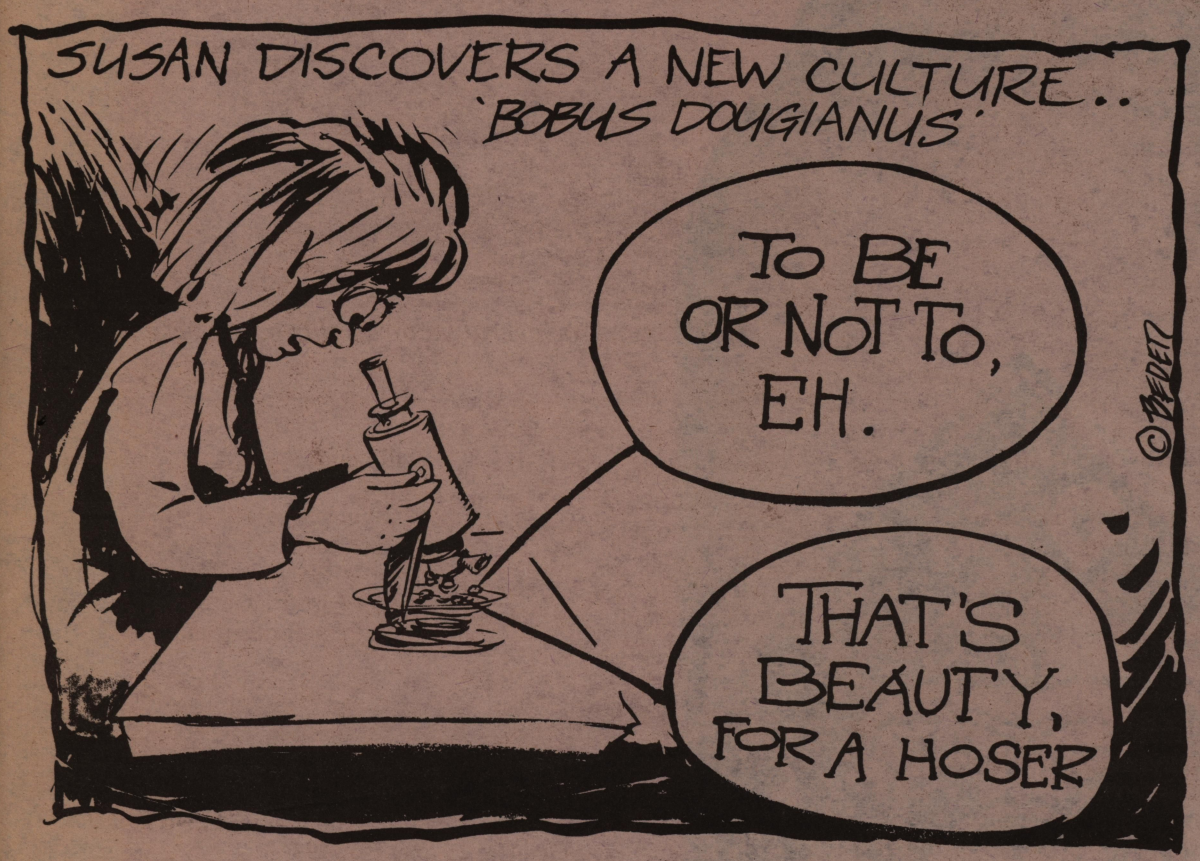
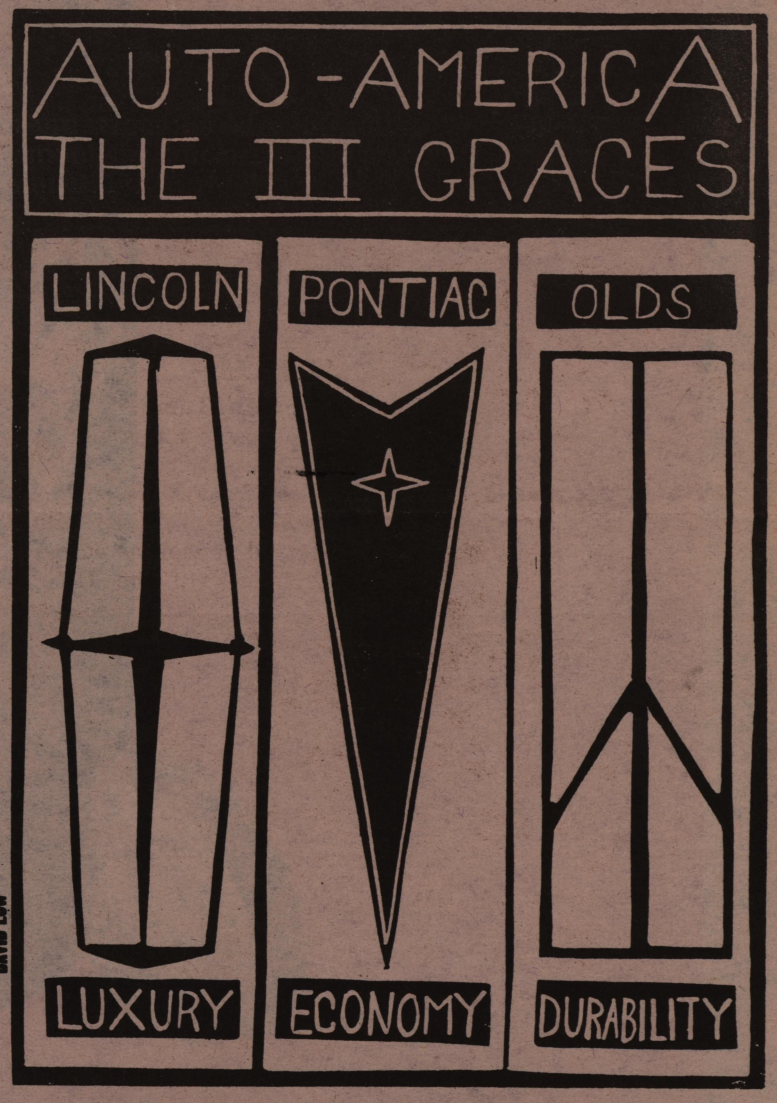
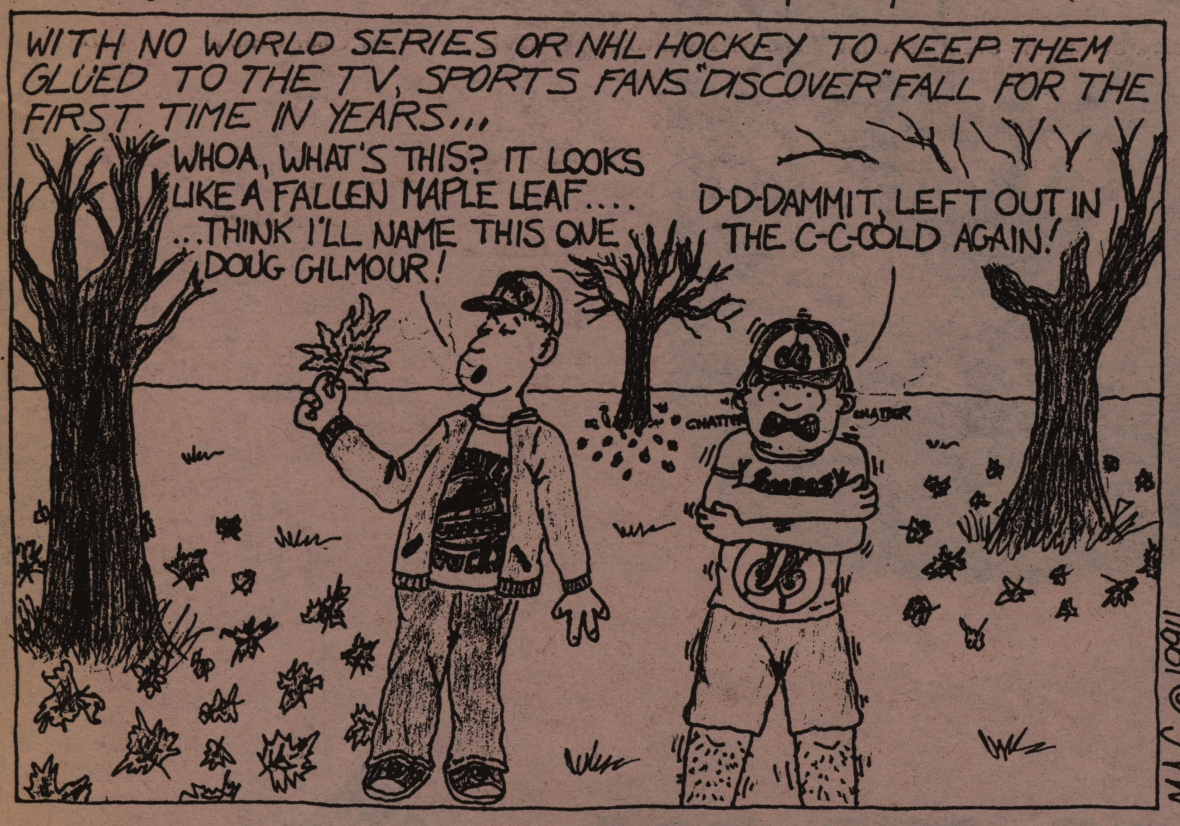




GOOFBALLS

"A LIGHT LOOK AT THE DARK SIDE OF SPORTS" BY Mike Chilton


WITH NO WORLD SERIES OR NHL HOCKEY TO KEEP THEM GLUED TO THE TV, SPORTS FANS "DISCOVER" FALL FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YEARS...
WHOA, WHAT'S THIS? IT LOOKS LIKE A FALLEN MAPLE LEAF.... ...THINK I'LL NAME THIS ONE DOUG GILMOUR!
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